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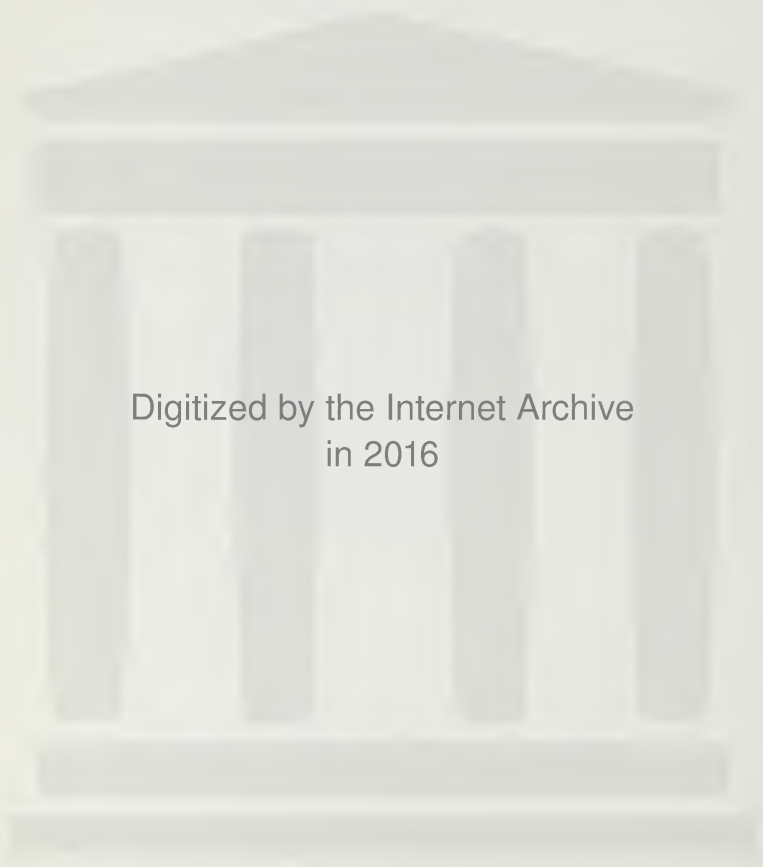
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Biography

THOMAS HALE BOGGS, SR., was born in Long Beach, Harrison County, Miss., February 15, 1914; attended the public and parochial schools of Jefferson Parish, La.; was graduated from Tulane University, New Orleans, La., in 1935 and from the law department of the same university in 1937; was admitted to the bar in 1937 and commenced practice in New Orleans, La.; elected as a Democrat to the 77th Congress (Jan. 3, 1941-Jan. 3, 1943); unsuccessful candidate for renomination in 1942; resumed the practice of law in New Orleans, La.; enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserve in November 1943; was commissioned an ensign and attached to the Potomac River Naval Command and the United States Maritime Service until separated in January 1946; again elected as a Democrat to the 80th and to the 13 succeeding Congresses; majority whip, 1962-71; elected majority leader in the 92d Congress, January 21, 1971; disappeared while on a campaign flight from Anchorage to Juneau, Alaska, October 16, 1972; served from January 3, 1947, until January 3, 1973, when he was presumed dead pursuant to House Resolution 1, 93d Congress.

MEMORIAL SERVICES
FOR
HALE BOGGS

Proceedings in the House

TUESDAY, *October 17, 1972.*

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. Edward G. Latch, D.D., offered the following prayer:

The Lord watch between me and thee, when we are absent one from another.—Genesis 31:49.

Eternal God and Father of us all, in the closing days of the 92d Congress we pause again in Thy presence to acknowledge our dependence upon Thee and to offer Thee the devotion of our hearts. Through the year Thou hast been our refuge and strength, our present help in time of trouble.

We thank Thee for the opportunities which have been ours working together under the dome of this Capitol of our national life. Here we have endeavored to serve Thee, our Nation and our world. For our labors may we hear the words "Well done, good and faithful servants."

Bless the Members of this body, some of whom will return and some of whom will not return. May the benediction of Thy spirit rest upon them that coming or going Thy peace may abide in all their hearts. And grant safe return of our majority leader and our colleague. May the Lord bless us and keep us always and in all ways. Amen.

Mr. O'NEILL. Mr. Speaker, we are all aware of the circumstances in which our majority leader, Mr. Boggs, and Congressman Begich, are missing in a plane.

The White House has been constantly in touch with the Speaker since yesterday when they first learned that Mr. Boggs and Mr. Begich were missing. Also, the congressional offices are getting a report of any developments every 30 minutes.

Mr. Speaker, apparently the weather is quite bad up there. The search pattern is from Anchorage to Juneau, down the normal air

route, and 50 to 75 miles on each side of the air route. Thirty-five aircraft will be lifting off at 0700, local Alaska time, which is 12 o'clock noon our time. The aircraft were unable to take off prior to 7 a.m. Alaska time because of a tremendous fog, I understand. These search planes should be taking off just about this time, now.

Mr. Speaker, these search teams will cover the area from Anchorage to Prince William Sound. As far as the location is concerned, they will have good ceiling at 4,000 feet. Along the coast to Juneau, they expect fog which hopefully will lift about noon, Alaskan time.

Mr. Speaker, the search will be first over water, and when the fog lifts, it will then continue over land.

Of the 35 aircraft in use, 4 are Army, 11 are Air Force, 4 are Coast Guard, 15 are Civil Air Patrol, and 1 FAA.

We have been informed that the pilot who was commanding the two-motor Cessna is one of the great bush pilots of the area. And so, while we pray at this time, we do have hope and we do have confidence that this pilot has been able to find one of the areas where he has landed probably many times through the years. It is our hope and prayer, of course, that the men will be found safe.

Mr. Speaker, I have known Mr. Boggs since I came to Congress 20 years ago. These past 2 years, I have had the distinct pleasure and honor to work closely with him as his assistant, the majority whip. HALE and I have become good personal friends, as well as close professional colleagues. I know no man who has fulfilled his responsibilities as majority leader with more competence, diligence, and resourcefulness.

Throughout this year he has campaigned all over the country almost weekly for Democratic Members or candidates whenever he was asked. His trip to Alaska on behalf of a Democratic Member and close personal friend, after an exhausting postmidnight session, exemplifies the kind of dedication and responsibility that HALE BOGGS brought to his job as leader of his party.

I have known and worked with Nick Begich for 2 years since he became a Member of the 92d Congress. He is a very affable and likable Member, and we are all aware of his tireless efforts on behalf of his constituents in Alaska.

Now is the time for us to say a silent prayer that Mr. Boggs and Mr. Begich will be found unharmed and returned safely to their homes and families.

Mr. Speaker, we will continue with the normal process of business today until we have word from Alaska.

Mr. GERALD R. FORD. Mr. Speaker, I am sure the heart of every Member of this body is heavy today as we ponder the possible fate of our well-liked and beloved colleague, the majority leader, HALE BOGGS, as well as the fate of our friend and colleague, the gentleman from Alaska, Nick Begich.

When I heard the news of their disappearance last night I was immediately filled with great apprehension and deep foreboding.

Although we often fought verbally on the floor of the House, HALE and I were very, very close personal friends.

Mr. Speaker, our hearts go out to their wives and families during this period of uncertainty. We can only pray that no news is good news and that with the morning light which is returning to the vast area over which their flight was planned they will be found alive along with the pilot and Nick's district assistant, Russ Brown.

As many of you know, I came to know HALE extremely well during the trip we made together in late June and early July to the People's Republic of China. My wife, Betty, and I have had no more congenial and pleasant and constructive traveling companions than HALE and his lovely wife Lindy.

Let us say a prayer, Mr. Speaker; let us all pray that HALE BOGGS and Nick Begich and his assistant as well as the pilot will all be found safe and well. I humbly pray You, God, that this may be so.

Mr. O'NEILL. Mr. Speaker, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. GERALD R. FORD. I yield to the gentleman from Massachusetts.

Mr. O'NEILL. I would like to add, also, that both the Speaker and I have been in touch with Mrs. Boggs. Mrs. Boggs and Mrs. Begich have spoken on the phone to each other since this event occurred. Mrs. Begich made reference to the fact that once before her husband had been found safely after he had been lost in Alaska for 9 hours. All of our prayers go to Mrs. Boggs and Mrs. Begich, with the hope that our dear colleagues will be found alive and well.

WEDNESDAY, *October 18, 1972.*

The House met at 12 o'clock noon.

The Chaplain, Rev. Edward G. Latch, D.D., offered the following prayer:

Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.—1 Thessalonians 5: 21.

O Thou holy and merciful God, who seeks us when we go astray and who redeems us warmly when we return with the coming of a new day we would quietly lift our hearts unto Thee in prayer. For this day of Thy grace grant unto us courage, faith, and good will that in meeting the needs of our Nation we may not fail man nor Thee.

Deliver us from bigotry and bitterness, from pettiness and prejudice. Keep us devoted to the higher values and greater virtues which give to life meaning and purpose and which hold us steadfast in the struggle for freedom, justice, and peace in our world.

“God of justice, save our people
From the clash of race and creed.
From the strife of class and faction
Make our Nation free indeed.
Keep her faith in simple goodness,
Strong as when her life began;
Till it finds its full fruition
In the brotherhood of man.”

Again we pray for the safe return of our majority leader and our colleague.

May Thy peace and Thy comfort abide in all our hearts. Amen.

WEDNESDAY, *January 3, 1973.*

This being the day fixed by the 20th amendment of the Constitution for the annual meeting of the Congress of the United States, the Members-elect of the House of Representatives of the 93d Congress met in their Hall, and at 12 o'clock noon were called to order by the Clerk of the House of Representatives, Hon. W. Pat Jennings.

The Chaplain, Rev. Edward G. Latch, D.D., prefaced his prayer with these words of Scripture:

Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed; for the Lord thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.—
Joshua 1:9.

Eternal God and Father of us all, make us aware of Thy presence as we prepare ourselves for a new year together in the service of our beloved country. Bless these representatives of our people with Thy most gracious favor and so move within their hearts that they may look to Thee for guidance and from Thee receive wisdom to walk in Thy ways, strength to stand steadfastly for the common good, and confidence to labor courageously for peace, justice, and freedom in our world. Support them all the day long as they face the responsibilities entrusted to them.

Before Thee we remember with affection and with sorrow HALE Boggs, Frank Bow, Nick Begich, George Collins, and Harry S. Truman. May these beloved colleagues and our former President find favor in Thy sight and receive the reward of work well done for our Republic. Comfort their families with the strength of Thy spirit.

Now let us unite in praying together:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The CLERK. On December 20, 1972, the Speaker directed a letter to the Clerk of the House which the Clerk will read.

WASHINGTON, D.C.,
December 20, 1972.

HON. W. PAT JENNINGS,
Clerk, House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.

DEAR MR. JENNINGS: When the 93rd Congress convenes on January 3, 1973, the House will be confronted with a situation which is unprecedented in our history. I refer, of course, to the probability that the Representatives-elect from the Second Congressional District of Louisiana and from the at-large seat in Alaska will not appear to take the oath of office at noon on that day.

While it is common knowledge that Representatives-elect HALE BOGGS and Nick Begich, together with Russell L. Brown and Don Jonz of the State of Alaska, departed by plane from Anchorage, Alaska, on October 16, 1972 on a flight bound for Juneau, Alaska, and have been missing since that date, any action which the House might take to declare their seats vacant, or otherwise pertaining to their status as Representatives-elect, should, I believe, be based upon the most reliable and official documentary evidence available as of January 3, 1973.

I therefore request that you obtain, for transmittal to the House when it convenes on January 3, 1973, certified copies of any judicial determination and other relevant information then available with respect to the status of the persons in question. Such documentary evidence will then enable the House to more properly discharge its constitutional responsibility in this matter.

Sincerely,

CARL ALBERT.

The CLERK. Pursuant to the Speaker's instructions the Clerk has forwarded to the Speaker a certified copy of the certificate of presumptive death of the Honorable Nick Begich, of Alaska.

Also contained in the certified information which the Clerk has forwarded to the Speaker is documentary evidence that the Honorable HALE BOGGS, a Representative-elect from the State of Louisiana, was a passenger on a plane which disappeared on a flight from Anchorage, Alaska, to Juneau, Alaska, on October 16, 1972.

Mr. TEAGUE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution (H. Res. 1) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution as follows:

HOUSE RESOLUTION 1

Whereas a certificate of election has been received by the Clerk of this House showing the election of HALE BOGGS as a Representative in the Ninety-third Congress from the Second Congressional District in the State of Louisiana; and

Whereas Representative-elect HALE BOGGS has not appeared to take the oath of office as a Member of this House; and

Whereas the Clerk of the House of Representatives, acting at the direction of the Speaker of this House for the Ninety-second Congress, has ascertained that Representatives Nick Begich and HALE BOGGS, Members of the Ninety-second Congress, together with Russell L. Brown and Don E. Jonz of the State of Alaska, all of whom departed together by plane from Anchorage, Alaska, on October 16, 1972, on a flight bound for Juneau, Alaska, have been missing since that date and despite repeated and thorough searches have not been located; and

Whereas the District Court for the State of Alaska, Third Judicial District after hearing witnesses and studying all available evidence relative to the disappearance of Representative Begich, Russell L. Brown and Don E. Jonz, has determined that these three men cannot be found alive after such a lapse of time and are presumed dead; and

Whereas as a result of the findings of the jury in the aforementioned judicial proceeding the judge of the said court has signed certificates of presumptive death with respect to Representative Begich, Russell L. Brown and of time and are presumed dead; and

Whereas no evidence has been presented to this House or is known to it which distinguishes the missing status of Representative-elect HALE BOGGS from that of the three men for whom the aforementioned certificates of presumptive death have been issued; Therefore be it

Resolved, That based on information provided by its Clerk, this House of Representatives hereby determines that there is a vacancy in the Ninety-third Congress in the representation from the Second Congressional District in the State of Louisiana because of the absence of Representative-elect HALE BOGGS.

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House is hereby directed to notify the Governor of the State of Louisiana of the existence of this vacancy so that appropriate measures to fill this vacancy may be undertaken by the Governor pursuant to Article I, Section 2 of the Constitution of the United States.

Resolved, That the Speaker be authorized to appoint a delegation of Members of this House, together with such Members of the Senate as may be joined, to attend memorial services to be held for the former Majority Leader in New Orleans, Louisiana, on January 4, 1973.

Resolved, That the Sergeant at Arms of the House be authorized and directed to take such steps as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of these resolutions and that the necessary expenses in connection therewith as well as any incurred by the Clerk at the Speaker's request, be paid out of the contingent fund of the House.

Resolved, That the Clerk communicate these resolutions to the Senate, to the Governor of the State of Louisiana, and transmit a copy to the family of the missing Representative-elect HALE BOGGS.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

The SPEAKER. The Chair appoints the following Members of the House to attend the memorial mass and tribute for the honorable HALE BOGGS, the majority leader in the 92d Congress and a Representative-elect from the Second Congressional District of Louisiana to the 93d Congress: The Speaker, Mr. Hébert, the majority leader, the minority leader, the majority whip, the minority whip, Mr. Passman, Mr. Waggonner, Mr. Rarick, Mr. Breau, Mr. Long of Louisi-

ana, Mr. Treen, Mr. Patman, Mr. Mahon, Mr. Poage, Mr. Mills of Arkansas, Mr. Holifield, Mr. Madden, Mr. Morgan;

Mr. Price of Illinois, Mr. Teague of Texas, Mr. Blatnik, Mr. Burleson of Texas, Mr. Gross, Mr. Hays, Mr. Perkins, Mr. Rodino, Mr. Staggers, Mr. Saylor, Mr. Widnall, Mr. Broyhill of Virginia, Mr. Cederberg, Mr. Haley, Mr. Landrum, Mr. Mailliard, Mr. Rhodes, Mrs. Sullivan, Mr. Diggs, Mrs. Griffiths, Mr. Reuss, Mr. Teague of California, Mr. Vanik, Mr. Chamberlain, Mr. Collier, Mr. Ullman;

Mr. Quie, Mr. Burke of Massachusetts, Mr. Devine, Mr. Dulski, Mr. Karth, Mr. Moorhead of Pennsylvania, Mr. Nelsen, Mr. Rostenkowski, Mr. Schneebeli, Mr. Anderson of Illinois, Mr. Ashbrook, Mr. Carey of New York, Mr. Corman, Mr. Harsha, Mr. Ichord, Mr. Mosher, Mr. Fulton, Mr. Gibbons, Mr. Horton, Mr. Hutchinson, Mr. Quillen, Mr. Green of Pennsylvania, Mr. Conable, Mr. Duncan, Mr. Brown of Ohio, Mr. Brotzman, and Mr. Matsunaga.

The Sergeant at Arms has advised the Chair that it may be possible to arrange transportation for a limited number of Members who desire to attend the memorial mass in New Orleans who have not been appointed on the official list of House Members. Interested Members should contact the Sergeant at Arms.

The Chair would like to announce with regard to the arrangements being made for Members of the House to attend the memorial mass for the late Honorable House Majority Leader HALE BOGGS to be held tomorrow in New Orleans that buses will be provided for transportation to Andrews Air Force Base, at the Capitol steps, at the House entrance.

Buses will leave in groups starting at 8:30 a.m. Meals will be served in flight both ways. The group is expected to return to Washington, D.C., at approximately 6:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The official delegation has been named and several aircraft have been made available to transport the group to New Orleans.

Other Members not named in the delegation have requested to join the group. While every effort has been made to accommodate everyone, seating space is limited. It is, therefore, requested that all Members desiring transportation, who have not already done so, notify the Sergeant at Arms at extension 5-2456 as soon as practicable.

Members will be assigned to specific aircraft and the ground

transportation has been so coordinated. In the interest of safety, it is essential that the scheduling of departure of the several aircraft be maintained.

Mr. HÉBERT. Mr. Speaker, I offer a resolution (H. Res. 8) and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution as follows:

HOUSE RESOLUTION 8

Resolved, That there shall be paid from the contingent fund of the House a sum equal to the annual compensation of the Majority Leader of the House of Representatives in the 92nd Congress as a gratuity to Corinne C. Boggs (Mrs. Hale Boggs) of Louisiana.

Resolved, That there shall be paid from the contingent fund of the House until otherwise provided by law, such sums as may be necessary to compensate the clerical assistants designated by former Representative HALE BOGGS in the 92nd Congress and borne upon the clerk hire pay rolls of the House of Representatives at the close of the 92nd Congress at the rates of compensation then payable to said clerical assistants, until a successor is elected to fill the vacancy in the Second Congressional District of the State of Louisiana caused by the absence of Representative-elect HALE BOGGS: *Provided*, that the Clerk is authorized to make, from time to time, such salary adjustments as he deems advisable with respect to all of the aforementioned employees.

Resolved, That effective January 3, 1973, there shall be paid from the contingent fund of the House, until otherwise provided by law, for personal services in the Office of the Majority Leader of the House, an additional sum not to exceed the minimum monthly rate now or hereafter authorized for Level 5 of the Executive Schedule as set forth in Title 5, United States Code, section 5316.

Resolved, That effective January 3, 1973, the Clerk of the House is authorized and directed to appoint James T. Nickens and Harry D. Debuys, two clerks on the pay roll of the Office of the Majority Leader at the close of the 92nd Congress, to the clerk hire pay rolls of the House of Representatives at the rates of compensation then payable to said clerks, until a successor is elected to fill the vacancy caused by the absence of Representative-elect HALE BOGGS: *Provided*, that the Clerk is authorized to make, from time to time, such salary adjustments as he deems advisable with respect to the aforementioned two employees.

The resolution was agreed to.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

SATURDAY, *January 6, 1973.*

Mr. BURKE of Florida. Mr. Speaker, it is sad that this 93d Congress finds absent, for the first time in 24 years, our former colleague HALE BOGGS. We, who are fortunate to serve in the Congress will miss the face and friendly manner of our friend from Louisiana. We are all saddened by his untimely loss and shocked, indeed, by his disappearance on October 16 in an airplane in Alaska. I am sure all his colleagues are deeply saddened with the knowledge that his able leadership as majority leader will be no longer.

During his years in the Congress, since he first joined the 77th Congress, he rose to eminence and power in the House of Representatives. First came his election in 1949, to the Committee on Ways and Means on which he served until 1970. As the second ranking Democrat Mr. Boggs helped with numerous pieces of legislation and was a cosponsor of the 1962 Trade Expansion Act. He was appointed deputy Democratic whip in the 85th, 86th, and the first session of the 87th Congress, then he became the Democratic whip, and in 1971 he became majority leader.

In the House of Representatives, HALE BOGGS had an unusual position because he stood as a truly effective human bridge between the many competing qualities and interests of the Members. He served to sustain a link for tolerance as well as for common action among them. Under his leadership political divergencies of all kinds—regional, cultural, ideological, racial—were more matters for rational discussion and sensible action than reasons for implacable and wasteful infighting.

I was proud to serve with Congressman Boggs and I join with my colleagues, and with the people not only of the Second District of Louisiana, but with the entire Nation, in mourning the death of our friend, who was such an able legislator and gentleman.

TUESDAY, *January 9, 1973.*

Mr. McFALL. Mr. Speaker, on January 4, along with 70 of our colleagues, we attended memorial services for our great friend and fellow House leader, HALE BOGGS.

The occasion was certainly one of the most beautiful that I have ever attended. The theme was not one of sorrow but of hope, and many of those in attendance remarked that they were truly inspired by the service.

In order to share the experience with those who were unable to attend, I would like to take this opportunity to include in the Record the remarks of Archbishop Philip M. Hannan, of New Orleans, and those of the Speaker, the Honorable Carl Albert:

ARCHBISHOP HANNAN'S HOMILY

"I came that they may have life and have it more abundantly" (John, 10, 10).

These words of Christ, describing His mission in life, inspired the life of the humble servant of Christ, HALE BOGGS. He chose to follow his Savior as a public servant, the spokesman for his fellow citizens in seeking a better life for them and our country. His life was totally dedicated to his family and to the House of Representatives in his service to his constituents. In the words of his extremely beloved wife, "He had a lifelong love affair with the House." As everyone knows, she and his family were his first love and the source of his strength and success in the House on Capitol Hill. His love and life in the House on Capitol Hill. His love and life in the House of Representatives reflected his life in his home, his abiding and proud love of Lindy and his family. To them we extend our deepest feelings of sympathy and condolence. To them we also express our gratitude. As the family is the basic unit of society and this nation, the family life of HALE in his parents' home and then in his home with Lindy and their children was a notable contribution to the life of the nation. Their family life vindicated the American way of life.

In expressing our sympathy to his family, we include all those who were so devoted to him that they consider HALE to be a member of their family, especially his exceptional staff and totally devoted supporters. HALE loved people. He believed in people. He had a charisma for communicating that love and respect for all peoples. To HALE, nobody was ordinary; consequently, he felt equally at home with people everywhere, whether it was in the White House, the Irish Channel, Uptown New Orleans, or the West Bank. That spirit of identity was best expressed possibly by an incident that occurred in Barataria, one of our unique communities that give Louisiana its distinctive charm. Although some prominent citizens had worked hard on a costly development project for that area, and HALE had worked very hard with them to secure the funds, they unexpectedly informed him that they decided to drop the project. HALE was very surprised and naturally asked why they had changed their minds. Their leader replied, "We like you, HALE, and want you as our Representative. But this big development might bring in some people who wouldn't like you as we do. So we would rather just forget the development."

A unique tribute that reflects as much credit on those who conferred it as on the recipient. That incident illustrates the personal trust in HALE that resulted in his election to the House when he was only 25 years old. After three years of service in the Navy, during World War II, he returned to the House in 1946, and served there to the present time. His election by his Democratic colleagues as Majority Leader in 1971 was evidence of the fact that his colleagues shared the esteem for him of his Louisiana constituents.

HALE's devotion to the House was the measure of his respect for the dignity of his fellow man. Consequently, he had a towering regard for the office of those who were elected to positions of eminent authority by the people. He saw them as deputies using the authority whose final source is God. Typical of this attitude was his respect for the office of President, Vice President, and Speaker of the House. I remember frequently seeing him attend Mass at old St. Patrick's Church on Tenth Street in Washington when I was pastor there. In his usual cordial fashion HALE would always say a friendly "Hello" to the priest, but if the former Speaker, John McCormack, was outside the Church, HALE would inevitably tread his way over to pay his respects to the Speaker, always taking off his hat before shaking his hand, regardless of the weather.

This respect for the dignity of every man, typified by his respect for the elected authority, led him to support with indomitable courage legislation that benefited the community in almost every aspect of life. His zeal and vision are evident throughout not only his district, but the whole national community. That vision and courage were nowhere more evident than in the matter of civil rights.

Before he cast his vote on a hotly debated civil rights bill, he said simply that he had consulted his conscience, had talked with Lindy and his family and would act according to his convictions. He voted his conscience, however hard the consequences.

HALE's political campaigns were authentic expressions of his convictions, expressing substance not sensation. He always said in his rich deep-toned voice, "I always try to favor the things that bring people together, not those that divide them." He believed in this principle, whether it applied to neighborhoods or nations. Thus he was willing to go to Peking or anywhere else at the President's request in the cause of peace based on freedom and justice. He believed in the community of man who needs bread but cannot live on bread alone.

During one campaign he said that he got his campaign slogan once from reading the Sunday leaflet printed in the cathedral. After Mass, he went to see the Pastor, Father Nick, and gave him a donation for supplying him with his campaign slogan. This is no hint for those present today and we have no copyright on the Mass leaflets, nor on this sermon.

HALE was deeply aware, by his unusual acumen and his conscience, of the dilemma and contradictions in our age of wonderful technology—an age of Apollo voyages which we unstintingly praise, television by satellite, heart transplants, instantaneous communications. We have reached the moon but we have not yet reached our neighbor. We have probed the moon's

surface but we have not sufficiently probed the heart of man. Dr. Carl Jung, the eminent psychiatrist, said years ago, "It is easier to reach the moon and Mars than it is to get inside the human being." Science employed to serve man, has caused tensions and inequalities.

HALE recognized these contradictions and problems of our times. He not only knew them; he felt them. He knew that the only means of resolving contradictions and bringing unity was an over-arching charity that could touch all men. His convictions were expressed in his zeal to push legislation that would make everyone feel our common charity and concern. He knew that a nation is composed of men and that the measure of a country is not the height of the Dow-Jones average but the height of every man's dignity and self-pride.

This is not to say that he did not appreciate the talents and efforts of those who produce our technology and our wealth. He recognized, in his own life of stewardship, that the concept of stewardship involves a difference in talents. But he recognized that those talents, granted by the Creator, were to be used for the Creator's purpose.

HALE was a man of deep compassion and courage. Mindful of the human condition, he always tried to work out a solution even for seemingly impossible problems knowing that dealing on a person-to-person basis is more effective than dealing only with documents. He believed that change, even drastic change, could be effected by evolution rather than revolution. HALE believed that a Congressman was not elected to elicit harsh judgments but to effect change. He sought always, even in the midst of debate, that attitude expressed by a philosopher, "I hope that I will always be for each man what he needs me to be . . . I hope that my love for those whom I like will never lessen my love for those whom I do not. I hope that another man's love for me will never be a measure of my love for him" ("In the Stillness Is the Dancing," p. 62).

Always buoyant, always optimistic, his steady faith in God, his spirit of hope and constant charity will gain him we pray, the Presence of the God he humbly tried to serve. He saw suffering and he tried to relieve it; he saw poverty and he tried to cure it; he saw the image of God in every man and he sought to honor it; he saw the vision of a more abundant life for all and he strove to effect it. To such a man of faith apply the words of the Sacred Liturgy which he so often heard and prayed, "For to your faithful, O Lord, life is changed not taken away; and this earthly abode being dissolved, a worthy habitation is prepared in heaven."



HALE BOGGS EULOGY

(Delivered by Speaker Carl Albert, St. Louis Cathedral, New Orleans, La.,
January 4, 1973)

We have come here today—to this historic Cathedral in the city that HALE Boggs so deeply loved—to honor the memory of a friend, a great public servant, and a remarkable man.

No words of ours, and certainly no eulogy of mine, can pay proper tribute to this great American. The real tributes to HALE are the private and personal memories that will remain keen and vivid in our minds. And those memories of him are as varied and as numerous as his friends who are gathered here today.

The vigorous and powerful personality of HALE BOGGS was always filled with life. His zest for living, his compassion for his fellow men, his keen and probing intellect could not help but overflow into the lives of those of us who were fortunate enough to walk through life with him. Within the hearts of each of us lies a treasure of heartfelt sentiments stemming from our recollections of the impact his life had on us.

If HALE BOGGS—the individual—cast a giant shadow, so did his nearly three decades of distinguished service in the United States House of Representatives. He deeply loved the House—where the esteem, respect and love in which he was held by all Members, regardless of politics, have never been surpassed in the history of that great institution.

He enjoyed its political life to the utmost and enriched its history immensely. Drawing his strength from the daily trials and vigors of Congressional life, he was a master strategist, a brilliant debater and a great compromiser—in the best sense of that word. His gregarious nature—his charm and ready wit—complemented his intelligence and persuasive use of power.

His rare ability to transform the most fiery, divisive issues into rational discussion bridge many factional chasms.

He had his finger on the pulse of the nation—and as much as any man I have ever known, he could read America's moods and understand its fears and aspirations.

HALE BOGGS' compassionate spirit was deeply rooted in his desire to help people. He crusaded to upgrade the lives of the poor, the sick, the downtrodden, and the elderly to insure equality for all Americans.

HALE's disappearance was a grievous loss not only to the House of Representatives, but to me personally. He was my right arm. We served together in the Democratic leadership for a full decade. And we served together as colleagues and friends for many years before that. Only my mentors, former Speakers Sam Rayburn and John McCormack, have been as close to me in the conduct of the business of the House of Representatives.

But the story of HALE BOGGS is more than one of a great public servant. He fostered one of the finest families I have ever known. The Boggs family has splendidly weathered the storms of political life and of personal grief, setting a strong example for all of us. HALE's good wife, Lindy, is truly a leader. His son, Tommy, and his daughters, Barbara and Corinne, are three of the finest and most decent people I have ever known.

This family provided the key inspiration, understanding and love for the man we honor. HALE was always extremely proud of his family. They were an active part of his public as well as his private life and they stand tall in his image today.

So HALE BOGGS was an exceptional individual—as husband, father, political leader and friend. We would all agree with the journalist who recently said, “He was close to the irreplaceable man.”

HALE BOGGS stood like a towering oak among his fellow men—and his absence, as Edwin Markham said of another great leader, “leaves a lonesome place against the sky.”

While we shall long grieve at his loss we shall forever remember his joyful life and give thanks that we could share a portion of it together. I shall feel the warmth of his friendship as long as I live.

MONDAY, *January 15, 1973.*

Mr. RAILSBACK. Mr. Speaker, the 93d Congress has opened without several familiar persons. All of us are particularly saddened by the loss of three distinguished Members.

In October, Congressmen Nick Begich of Alaska and HALE BOGGS of Louisiana disappeared during the course of an air flight over Alaska, while Mr. Boggs was campaigning for the reelection of Mr. Begich. To date, no trace of them, their pilot, or their aircraft has been found.

In December, Representative George Collins of Illinois was one of many people killed in the tragic crash of a commercial airliner in Chicago.

These three men, from different districts and States, held a common respect for the national legislature and for the good of the people of their home district.

George Collins traveled to his district on Chicago's West Side almost every weekend as his way of keeping in close touch with those he represented. He was a tireless champion of the rights of all Americans, and the Seventh District of Illinois has indeed lost a good friend and public servant.

When HALE BOGGS came to the House of Representatives in 1941, he was just 26 years of age, the youngest man in Congress. In the long and eventful years since he first came to Washington, he has risen to positions of authority in the various committees and forums of the House. As majority leader, HALE BOGGS provided the leadership for his party, and he served the people of Louisiana well.

Nick Begich came to the House 2 years ago as Alaska's Representative-at-Large. He quickly moved to take on many issues confronting the Congress, and served ably on the Interior and Insular Affairs Committee. His knowledge of Indian affairs, national parks, and public lands has been of great value to his colleagues.

These men are certainly going to be missed by the 93d Congress. I know I speak for all my colleagues in extending our deepest sympathies to their families.

TUESDAY, *January 23, 1973.*

Mr. SIKES. Mr. Speaker, now it is official that the House of Representatives and the Nation have lost a true friend, an experienced and able legislator, and an outstanding parliamentarian. The tragic airplane accident which occurred in Alaska on Monday, October 16, claimed the life of our distinguished majority leader, the Honorable HALE BOGGS. This unfortunate event saddened the entire Congress.

Mr. BOGGS, who represented the New Orleans area in Congress for 28 years, was first elected to Congress in 1940 at the age of 26. He was one of the youngest men ever to serve in this body. He and I came here together and we quickly formed a close and warm friendship. I watched and admired his progress through all the intervening years. He served in the Navy during World War II; then came back to Congress in 1947 and was reelected for 13 consecutive terms.

He became democratic whip in 1962 and majority leader in 1971. Although a member from the Deep South, with its conservative leanings, he was able to build a successful House career by supporting the legislative goals of the national Democratic Party. He did this while retaining the confidence of his constituents who consistently supported him each 2 years, a very considerable achievement. His moderate stand on free trade and on most social-welfare legislation and his backing for labor legislation won him acceptance and support among democratic leaders nationwide.

He became a member of the important Ways and Means Committee in 1949 and at the time he left the committee to become majority leader he was next in line to its distinguished chairman, Wilbur Mills. He helped formulate numerous free-trade agreements, cosponsored the 1962 Trade Expansion Act, and served as chairman of the Joint

House-Senate Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy. His internationalism applied to politics as well as economics. He advocated the concept of a United States of Europe and served on the U.S. delegation to the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

HALE's rise to House leadership began in 1964, when the late Speaker Sam Rayburn appointed him deputy Democratic whip. He was an especial protege of that great House Speaker. He became whip in 1962, and was elected majority leader in 1971. He handled the demanding responsibilities of the majority leader's post with the same intelligence, insight, and love of country with which he had fulfilled his obligations to his own constituents.

HALE BOGGS was a loyal party man but he believed in the two-party system and contributed to its strength. Seldom does one find a man of this stature so wholeheartedly dedicated and respectful to the needs of the people. HALE BOGGS' record in Congress earned for him the genuine admiration and respect of his colleagues. I shall always cherish the memory of his friendship. My sympathy and my prayers are with his beloved wife Lindy, his son and daughters, and with all of his family during this difficult time.

Mr. DON H. CLAUSEN. Mr. Speaker, I take the floor at this time to attempt to express the deep and sincere sense of mourning I feel at the loss of HALE BOGGS.

Although we were of opposite parties, I very much appreciated his obvious display of friendship toward me. He was always ready to listen to constructive suggestions.

While he was widely recognized as a fierce partisan advocate for his party, I found him to be a very warm, responsive, and respected friend and leader I could always go to with a special request.

One of the more enjoyable and rewarding events, in which I participated with Congressman and Mrs. Boggs, was the historic dedication of the "Lady Bird Johnson Redwood Grove" in the Redwood National Park located in my congressional district.

Those in attendance represented a kind of "Who's Who in America," President Nixon, former President Johnson and their families along with many other public officials. HALE and Lindy Boggs, of course, were among those invited to the platform. HALE mentioned to me many times how genuinely pleased and impressed he was with the ceremony, the setting and the recognition we gave to his close

friends, the Johnson family, through President Nixon's proclamation naming this very select grove of redwoods for Mrs. Johnson.

During his service in the leadership he made a substantial contribution toward the advancement of five major national conservation projects in our redwood empire—the Redwood National Park; Point Reyes National Seashore; King Range National Conservation Area; Golden Gate National Recreation Area and expansion of the John Muir Woods National Monument. Each will stand forever as examples of his legislative expertise, his dedication to conservation, and his willingness to cooperate with his colleagues.

My wife Ollie and I join the rest of the Nation in expressing sympathy to Mrs. Boggs who is a very close friend and one of the most gracious ladies we have been privileged to know. Being the wife of a Member of Congress is difficult at best but being the wife of one in a leadership position requires a very understanding and patient marital partner.

I believe anyone would agree that any reference or comment relating to Congressman HALE BOGGS would be incomplete unless one recognizes the very beautiful partnership which existed between HALE and Mrs. Boggs.

Along with his many friends in and out of Congress, I shall miss HALE very much, but I do take consolation in the fact we were able to do so much together in a personal and legislative sense, working to advance legislative proposals for a better America.

My life is much the richer, as is the case of all Americans, for having been associated with this courageous, considerate, and congenial southern gentleman, HALE BOGGS of Louisiana.

TUESDAY, *May 22, 1973.*

Mr. HÉBERT. Mr. Speaker, I have asked for this hour in order that the colleagues of HALE BOGGS be given an opportunity to pay tribute to his memory.

It was 33 years ago that HALE and I stood here in this well on January 3, 1941, and took the oath of office. Since that date I have taken that same oath for 16 consecutive times. After the first term HALE was

away for 4 years and then returned and served continuously until the tragedy of last year.

At the time we took the oath of office, Mr. John McCormack was the majority leader of this House, and Mr. Sam Rayburn was its Speaker. I am very pleased today that we have the presence here of former Speaker McCormack, who sits here in the House. He will be witness to the testimony of those who served with HALE.

It is also significant that Lindy Boggs is with us as a Member of this body and even more significant that she has with her HALE's favorite grandson sitting with her on the aisle today.

As I review these many milestones and review the many, many years and landmarks of HALE's career, I remember his first entry into politics. Even prior to that, when I was city editor of the New Orleans States, HALE worked for me as the Tulane University correspondent which is when I first came to know him. He graduated from Tulane as Phi Beta Kappa and with high honors. It was about at the time that the now so-called Louisiana scandals broke in Louisiana. HALE as a young lawyer immediately jumped into the forefront of that fight and immediately became associated with us who were attempting to put the State of Louisiana back on an even keel, which with his help we certainly did succeed in doing.

As a result of those scandals both HALE and I came to Congress. It is definitely certain that I never would have come here had it not been for the scandals, but it delayed HALE only a few years in his arrival. He was fiercely dedicated to the art of politics and he was dedicated to serving in a legislative body and particularly here in the House of Representatives.

After he had risen in the ranks here I know he refused an offer, or several offers as a matter of fact, for appointment to the Federal Bench. He preferred to remain here.

His rise here was one which anybody would have expected of him. He was young, attractive, articulate, energetic, resourceful, and he had that undying ambition to climb to the top which is most laudable. His first major committee assignment was on the Banking and Currency Committee, and he remained on that committee until he returned to the Congress, and I will never forget the day he came to my office in New Orleans with a letter from Wilbur Mills suggesting that HALE seek a vacancy on the Ways and Means Committee. It was

my privilege at that time to nominate HALE in the Democratic caucus and it was my pleasure that he won.

As the years went by HALE grew in stature and influence and power within the Democratic Party ranks. He served as a yeoman in the whip organization as he grew up in the ranks. Finally he became the whip when Mr. Albert was majority leader and Mr. McCormack was the Speaker. When Mr. Albert became Speaker, HALE sought the majority leadership, and again it was my distinct privilege and pleasure to nominate HALE for the post, which of course he won. He was serving in that capacity when the tragedy of last year occurred.

Over and beyond his service here in the House which was testimonial to his dedication, he certainly was a most loyal member of the national Democratic Party, loyal to the extent that he went beyond what in our area of the country was actually acceptable and was willing to test his belief and cast his lot and tie his star to the chariot of the Democratic Party. Our present Speaker said on many occasions that he looked upon HALE as his successor.

There is no doubt that if he were with us today, and in the future that he would have become eventually the Speaker of the House. I only wish that I would have had the opportunity at that time of again being able to nominate him.

There are the highlights of our careers. There are others who will probably speak more eloquently than I can today, but in losing HALE, I have lost a lifelong friend; I have lost a colleague with whom I had much in common; I have lost an individual with whom I was in frequent disagreement but never lost respect, one for the other.

Both of these factors, the friendship and admiration I had for HALE never diminished; it was never lost. It will always shine just as bright as that terrible day we had to give him up.

As I said the day Lindy Boggs took the oath of office here was a sad day and a happy day. It was a sad day because we had to admit that HALE would not be with us, but it was a happy day that Lindy would, and that she would carry on in the tradition of her most distinguished husband and coworker.

Mr. Speaker, I am sure she sits on this floor today as a successor and feels her heart warm with the eulogies which have been paid to HALE, the praises which are his due and the remembrances his colleagues would pay here today.

Mr. ALBERT. Mr. Speaker, the life which I live in this House and the service which I have been fortunate enough to render has been so close to the life and service of HALE BOGGS that they could not have been the same without him.

I remember those trying days last fall not long before the election when we were trying to adjourn the House in time for Members to return to their campaigns. We were meeting until a late hour nearly every night. On one such night HALE and I stood alone back in the cloakroom drinking a cup of coffee, and HALE turned to me and said—

Carl, I am very tired.

I know he was tired because I was tired also. But he went on to say—

I have got to get out and catch a plane tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock to fly to Anchorage, Alaska, and make a speech for our good friend Nick Begich. I really do not feel like going, but I have to go because I told Nick I would go. But I'll be gone only over the weekend.

But before Monday arrived, I received that frightening telephone call from a member of the White House staff who called me and said that HALE and Nick were 2 hours late in a private plane on their way to Juneau. I knew I had to call Lindy, although I could hardly muster up the strength to do it. I called Lindy, and, of course, she took it with concern but with that strength of character which has always typified her life and personality.

The family, our Members, and thousands of loyal friends and supporters, waited and prayed, as reports kept coming in, with concern but always with faith and hope. All of us kept the faith. I think we still keep the faith.

The greatest effort ever made to find a missing airplane was mounted and after a long and meticulous search called off.

On January 4, in the serene grandeur of the St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans, I joined those who said farewell to my friend and colleague. And now I join the Louisiana delegation, headed by the distinguished gentleman from New Orleans, Mr. Hébert, in saying an official "goodbye" in this Chamber where HALE served so long and so close to me.

It is most appropriate on this occasion that the distinguished John McCormack, former Speaker, who in so many ways was the mentor of both HALE and myself, should be here to listen to these tributes.

His presence calls to my mind so well that morning when John McCormack then the majority leader called me and said that he and Sam Rayburn were going to ask me to take over the responsibilities of whip, which Percy Priest had given up by reason of having been assigned to the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce. I immediately decided, and told Mr. McCormack and Mr. Rayburn—

I think we should have a strong deputy whip.

And I created the Office of Deputy Whip with their blessing. I named HALE BOGGS to that job in 1955, and we served closely together, close to Speaker Rayburn until he died, close to Speaker McCormack until he retired, and close to one another until HALE left here on that fateful journey.

I have known and served with a lot of people in my lifetime. Most of the men and women with whom I have served in this House have been men and women of great character and great ability, but HALE BOGGS was one of those who possessed extraordinary qualities.

He had a feel for this House, he had an insight into the legislative problems of this Nation that few men have had. He, of course, as Ed Hébert has said, was very articulate very knowledgeable, very skillful in debate. But he also had an understanding of the problems of this generation. He had a feel for the future, as few men have ever known.

I believe that HALE BOGGS took great political risks in casting votes for some of the forward looking legislation that had come to its maturity during his time, such as some of the civil rights acts. I think he showed more political courage than almost anybody I have ever known.

But that was the makeup of the man. He took calculated risks, but he took them for what he thought was a cause worthy of his own political life.

HALE was involved in some of the most complex legislation passed by the House more than a quarter of a century. He was for many years a member of the Committee on Ways and Means, rising to become the ranking member at the time of his resignation when he be-

came majority leader. He participated in reforms of the Internal Revenue Service, authored revenue provisions of the interstate highway program, extension of social security benefits legislation and tax reforms.

HALE BOGGS coauthored legislation creating the New Orleans Tide-water Channel.

He coauthored the Sugar Act, so important to the great port city he represented. He pioneered efforts which led to the creation of NATO and laid the groundwork for the creation of the Common Market. He was a permanent member of the Interparliamentary Union, and one of the most knowledgeable men in the Congress on foreign trade policy.

He authored legislation "expanding and defining the functions of foreign trade zones" and the Foreign Investment Act of 1959.

The Boggs-Daniels Narcotics Code was created long before drug problems were so common as they are today.

HALE was indeed an extraordinary man, and he was indeed a patriot, one who was always anxious to serve but willing to sacrifice his own political life for things in which he believed.

Mr. Speaker, it seems, in one way, long ago that HALE left us, and in another way it seems that it was only yesterday. When we reconvened this Congress, it seemed unnatural when HALE did not show up. It was an extension of those last 2 or 3 horrible days when we were suspended in time, waiting, when we had no majority leader and were trying to get this House adjourned.

Of course, we are all delighted, as I know HALE would be delighted, that the woman he loved best of all the people in the world and in whom he had perfect confidence has succeeded him. No man ever had a greater helpmate than HALE BOGGS.

Mary, Mary Frances, David and I extend our deepest sympathy to some of the finest people that God ever put upon this green earth: Lindy, Tommy, Barbara, and Cokie, HALE's grandchildren, and HALE's mother. Flowing from the service of their beloved father, grandfather, husband and son, they have a memorial in this Chamber that will never die.

Mr. HÉBERT. Mr. Speaker, I wish to convey my thanks.

As our distinguished Speaker spoke to us here today, I could not help but recall that only six Members sit in this House today

who were here when HALE and I came here 33 years ago. Out of a total of 435 Members, there are only 6: 3 of them from Texas, 1 from Arkansas, 1 from Illinois, and 1 from Louisiana.

Mr. O'NEILL. Mr. Speaker, it is with a profound sense of sadness that I take the floor to pay tribute to my very dear friend, HALE BOGGS.

It was my very great pleasure over a period of two decades to work very closely with HALE. We were both confidants of our beloved Speaker, John W. McCormack—HALE as his whip and I as a fellow legislator from the Bay State and as a member of the House Rules Committee.

HALE and I became friends, and I learned early and distinctly that he was a man of high intelligence, deep understanding, and impeccable integrity.

He had great compassion for those who do not have the opportunity to enjoy the fruits of the American experience.

A poor boy himself, whose family moved to the Mississippi gulf coast during the depression because seafood was readily available, he undertood what it meant to "have not."

He arrived at college with \$35 and a scholarship in his pocket, but through a variety of jobs, he was able to work his way through to a law degree.

He never forgot the help he had gotten along the way. And when Democratic bills designed to give help to the unfortunate were on the floor, he took the lead in passing them, often closing the debate with the articulate, impassioned plea of one who "had been there."

How well we remember his booming voice, his appeal to our better side, his inspirational pleas in behalf of man's humanity toward man.

HALE BOGGS had many qualities that made him valuable to us:

A man possessed of good sense of humor. A good storyteller in the cloak room—and a good listener.

An articulate spokesman on economics, trade, the principles of the Democratic Party, health, education, housing, and the environment.

He was approachable as a leader—one you could seek out and talk to, no matter how small a problem you might have.

HALE was a practitioner of the "art of the possible," a man who was superbly endowed with the ability to reconcile differences within our pluralistic Democratic Party.

He came naturally to his role of reconciler.

A southerner, he courageously voted for liberal legislation and was truly a national Democrat.

He could do it because, above all, he was a tolerant man.

In Chicago in 1968, HALE chaired a platform that resolved all the issues that had divided our party for decades, and then presided with fairness and skill over the debate on the Vietnam plank.

He knew how to disagree without being disagreeable.

He made the House a lively and interesting place. And he gave it his own particular brand of magic.

He had an uncanny knack for feeling the mood of the House, indeed he could sense the mood of this great Nation.

He loved the challenge of a problem. His approach was a positive one and he disdained negative thinking. He would make a speech painting a gloomy picture of a problem, then say—

Did we shirk from our duty—no, we did something about it.

The House of Representatives is a better place today for HALE BOGGS having passed through it.

To Tommy and Barbara and Cokie, such a closely knit family—truly it was an inspiration not only for this Congress but for all in America who knew and loved him.

Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that I be permitted to enclose in the Record at this point, the program for the memorial mass for HALE BOGGS and the remarks made there. The ceremony was truly the most inspiring that I have ever witnessed.

A MASS IN MEMORY OF HALE BOGGS, MAJORITY LEADER, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AND CONGRESSMAN, SECOND DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA, THURSDAY, JANUARY 4, 1973, CATHEDRAL OF ST. LOUIS, NEW ORLEANS, LA.

BIOGRAPHY OF HALE BOGGS

(By Gary Hymel)

HALE BOGGS, the son of William Robertson Boggs and Claire Josephine Hale, entered this world February 15, 1914, in Long Beach, Mississippi. His childhood was summed up by his mother on his 58th birthday when she wrote: "I always did depend on you if I wanted something done."

After schooling in Gretna, Metairie, and Long Beach High School, he entered Tulane University where he was editor of the newspaper, Phi Beta Kappa, debater and correspondent for The Times Picayune and the New Orleans States. There he met Corinne "Lindy" Morrison Claiborne, whom he married in 1938.

They have been blessed with four children—Barbara (Mrs. Paul E. Sigmond), Thomas Hale, Jr., Corinne (Mrs. Steven V. Roberts) and William Robertson, and eight grandchildren.

He quickly moved from Tulane Alumni executive directorship to International House where he became its first executive director, then on to a successful law practice.

His natural bent was toward politics and soon he was meeting with other young people to form the Peoples League, a group which went on to instigate reforms and to change a number of elective offices, including that of the Second Congressional District which Boggs won. At 26, he was the House of Representatives' youngest member.

After wartime duty in the Navy and the Maritime Service, he was elected to the House in 1946 to stay.

He served on the Banking and Currency Committee, where he got his early appreciation for housing needs, then won a post on the powerful Ways and Means Committee. In 1955 Speaker Sam Rayburn created the post of deputy whip for Boggs, launching him on an 18-year career in the House leadership.

In 1962 he became House Majority Whip and in 1971 he was elected House Majority Leader, the highest position ever attained by a Louisiana Congressman.

He was also chairman of the subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy of the Joint House Senate Economic Committee.

Boggs built a reputation as an articulate spokesman on economics, trade, and public works for his District. As a leader, he frequently spoke on the House floor in behalf of legislation to improve health, housing, the environment, education and transportation in the United States.

A strong believer in equal rights and opportunity for all Americans, he spoke often for improved conditions among the poor and disadvantaged. He had a profound respect for all persons and considered his congressional office a "service" organization.

From his post in the leadership, he was adviser to Presidents John F. Kennedy and Lyndon B. Johnson and Speakers Rayburn, John W. McCormack and Carl Albert.

He was a member of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy and the Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence. He was the House representative on the Democratic National Committee, parliamentarian of the 1964 Democratic National Convention and chairman of the Committee on Platform and Resolutions at the 1968 Convention.

As a Southerner who was a national leader, he achieved compromises on difficult legislation, using what he called "the art of the possible". His positive approach and his speeches and outlook reflected hope and confidence that mankind would succeed.

Columnist William S. White wrote of him "For he stood as a truly effective human bridge between many competing qualities and interests. And he served

to sustain between them, a link of tolerance and, in the end, a capacity for common action. Under his leadership, divergencies of all kinds—regional, cultural, ideological, racial—remained only matters for rational discussion and disputation rather than spurting up into reasons for implacable and wasting in-fighting. He helped greatly to hold together the polyglot house of his party, as he did the House of Representatives itself.”



ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL

(By Charles L. Dufour)

This is the most hallowed spot in New Orleans, for the people have worshipped in churches here since 1727.

Adrien de Pauger designated the site for a church in 1721 when he laid out what is known as the Vieux Carré. And the first permanent church, dedicated to Louis IX, the sainted King of France, was designed by de Pauger.

Constructed in the “bricks between posts” (*briqueté entre poteaux*) method in cruciform shape, the Church of St. Louis, which de Pauger did not live to see completed, was dedicated by Father Raphael of the Capuchin order shortly before Christmas 1727.

De Pauger's church continued in service until 1763, when much-needed repairs were undertaken, one of the King's warehouses serving temporarily as the parish church. Two decades later de Pauger's church was destroyed in the Good Friday fire on March 21, 1788.

Don Andrés Almonester y Roxas, one of the wealthiest men in New Orleans—he was also the father of Micaela Almonester, Baroness Pontalba—supplied the funds to rebuild the church. The cornerstone was laid on February 14, 1789, but more than five years elapsed before the church, designed by Gilbert Guillemard, a Frenchman in the military service of Spain, was completed. It escaped the second great New Orleans fire on December 8, 1794, and on Christmas Eve of that year it was dedicated as a Cathedral, New Orleans having received in 1793 its first bishop, Louis Peñalver y Cardenas.

Guillemard's St. Louis Cathedral served the city for more than half a century, before rehabilitation of the run-down structure was begun. However, as it soon became evident the old church could not be properly repaired, the present Cathedral, designed by J. N. B. de Pouilly, French architect, was constructed. On December 7, 1851, Archbishop Blanc, assisted by Bishop Michael Portier of Mobile, blessed the Cathedral of St. Louis, King of France.

On December 9, 1964, Pope Paul VI designated St. Louis Cathedral as a Minor Basilica.

The complete story of St. Louis Cathedral has been admirably and authoritatively told by Leonard V. Huber and Samuel Wilson, Jr., in their monograph, “The Basilica on Jackson Square.”

TODAY'S MASS

The Judeo-Christian ethic expresses that man holds a threefold relationship in this life—relationship with God, with neighbor, and with self. The Catholic recognizes this as he joins with Christ and his fellow man during the sacrifice of the Mass in offering to God the Father his adoration and love.

Today's Memorial Mass expresses a combination of the ancient traditions of the Church and the realities of modern day life in the American setting. HALE BOGGS was devoted to his country and its people, especially the young. But he also held a strong attachment for the old and venerable rites of the Church. Thus it is that the congregation will hear today portions of the ancient sacred polyphony of Palestrina and the sixteenth century "Tantum ergo" intermingled with such modern and youthful works as "I Am the Resurrection and the Life." The latter hymn, more than any other, reflects HALE BOGGS' deep faith in God, while "America the Beautiful" and the "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" express his vision of what our country should be—one family under God.

THE CATAFALQUE

Catafalque is derived from the Italian word *catafalco*. In the strictly liturgical sense the word is employed to designate the structure used at funeral offices of the Church and takes the place of the bier when the remains are not present. It is covered with a cloth or pall on which there is a cross unless, as circumstances dictate, it is covered with a flag. The Catafalque is placed outside the sanctuary and is the center of the absolution ceremony during funeral rites. It receives the same attention as would the remains, if present. Thus it is the Catafalque is incensed as a sign of respect for the body which it represents.

MINISTERS OF THE MEMORIAL MASS

Concelebrants: His Excellency the Most Reverend Philip M. Hannan, Archbishop of New Orleans; the Reverend Robert I. Boggs, S.J., assistant pastor, Most Holy Name of Jesus Church, New Orleans; the Reverend Reinhard B. Stump, C.S.S.R., pastor, St. Alphonsus Church, New Orleans.

Master of Ceremonies: The Reverend H. William Reed.

Lector: Mr. John J. Joyce, Jr.

Commentator: Mr. John G. Frentz.

Homilist: His Excellency the Most Reverend Philip M. Hannan, Archbishop of New Orleans.

Prayer: The Reverend Edward Gardner Latch, D.D., L.H.D., Chaplain, United States House of Representatives.

Remarks: The Honorable Carl Albert, Speaker, United States House of Representatives.

Organists: Miss Elise Cambon, Mr. Malcolm J. Breda.

Choirs: St. Louis Cathedral Choir, Miss Elise Cambon, Director; Xavier University Concert Choir, Dr. Julius R. Tipton III, Director.

Guitar Ensemble: Loyola University College of Music, Mr. Paul J. Guma, Chairman.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Processional hymn: I Am the Resurrection and the Life, Ray Repp (words and music). Congregation, Guitar Accompaniment, Loyola College of Music.

Congregation and Choir: I am the resurrection and the life; He who believes in me will never die. I am the resurrection and the life; He who believes in me will live a new life.

Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: My brothers and sisters to prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries, let us call to mind our sins.

(Brief silence.)

All: I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned through my own fault in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do; and I ask blessed Mary, ever virgin, and the angels and saints, and you, my brothers and sisters to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Celebrant: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

All: Amen.

Kyrie, Palestrina-Lindusky, St. Louis Cathedral Choir.

OPENING PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray. Almighty God, Our Father, we firmly believe that your Son died and rose to life. We pray for our brother HALE whose memory we honor today. Fulfill his faith and belief in you, and lead him safely home to be happy with you forever. We ask this through Our Lord, Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

All: Amen.

First reading: The Book of the prophet Isaiah Chapter 25, verses 6a, 7-9:

Reader: On His mountain the Lord Sabaoth will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord God will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people's shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us. This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm: The people repeat the responses sung first by the choir, and then after each verse.

Responsorial Psalm 23 : 1-3, 3-4, 5, 6.

Choir: Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for you are with me.

All (sing): Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for you are with me.

Choir: The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. In verdant pastures he gives me repose; Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul.

All (sing): Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for you are with me.

Choir: He guides me in right paths for his name's sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley I fear no evil; for you are at my side with your rod and your staff that give me courage.

All (sing): Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for you are with me.

Choir: You spread the table before me in the sight of my foes; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

All (sing): Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for you are with me.

Choir: Only goodness and kindness follow me all the days of my life; And I shall dwell in the house of the Lord for years to come.

All (sing): Though I walk in the valley of darkness, I fear no evil, for you are with me.

Second reading: Epistle of St. James, Chapter 1, verses 22-25; Chapter 2, verses 14-17, 24.

Reader: You must be honest with yourselves; you are to live by the word, not content merely to listen to it. One who listens to the word without living by it is like a man who sees, in a mirror, the face he was born with; he looks at himself, and the way he goes, never giving another thought to the man he saw there. Whereas one who gazes into that perfect law, which is the law of freedom, and dwells on the sight of it, does not forget its message; he finds something to do, and does it, and his doing of it wins him a blessing.

Take the case, my brother, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, "I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty", without giving them the bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, then it is quite dead. You see now that it is by doing something good, and not only by believing, that a man is justified. This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Third reading: The Book of the prophet Isaiah, Chapter 61, verses 1-4.

Reader: The spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord hath anointed me: he hath sent me to preach to the meek, to heal the contrite of heart, and to preach a release to the captives, and deliverance to them that are shut up; to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn; to appoint to the mourners of Sion, and to give them a crown for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, a garment

of praise for the spirit of grief. And they shall be called in it the mighty ones of justice, the planting of the Lord to glorify him. And they shall build the places that have been waste from of old, and shall raise up ancient ruins, and shall repair the desolate cities, that were destroyed for generation and generation.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia: *Traditional Melody from "Airs sur les Hymnes sacres, Odes et Noels"* (Paris, 1623). *The people repeat the Alleluia after the choir's Alleluia and then after the verse.*

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

All (sing): Alleluia.

Choir: Come, you whom my Father has blessed, says the Lord; inherit the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world.

All (sing): Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Concelebrant: A reading from the holy gospel according to Matthew (Chapter 5, Verses 1-12).

All: Glory to you, Lord.

Concelebrant: Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called the sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven. This is the gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

ARCHBISHOP HANNAN'S HOMILY

"I came that they may have life and have it more abundantly" (John 10, 10).

These words of Christ, describing His mission in life, inspired the life of the humble servant of Christ, HALE BOGGS. He chose to follow His Savior as a public servant, the spokesman for his fellow citizens in seeking a better life for them and our country. His life was totally dedicated to his family and to

the House of Representatives in his service to his constituents. In the words of his extremely beloved wife, "He had a lifelong love affair with the House." As everyone knows, she and his family were his first love and the source of his strength and success in the House on Capitol Hill. His love and life in the House of Representatives reflected his life in his home, his abiding and proud love of Lindy and his family. To them we extend our deepest feeling of sympathy and condolence. To them we also express our gratitude. As the family is the basic unity of society and this nation, the family life of HALE in his parents' home and then in his home with Lindy and their children was a notable contribution to the life of the nation. The family life vindicated the American way of life.

In expressing our sympathy to his family, we include all those who were so devoted to him that they consider HALE to be a member of their family, especially his exceptional staff and totally devoted supporters. HALE loved people. He believed in people. He had a charisma for communicating that love and respect for all peoples. To HALE, nobody was ordinary; consequently, he felt equally at home with people everywhere, whether it was in the White House, the Irish Channel, Uptown New Orleans, or the West Bank. That spirit of identity was best expressed possibly by an incident that occurred in Barataria, one of our unique communities that give Louisiana its distinctive charm. Although some prominent citizens had worked hard in a costly development project for that area, and HALE had worked very hard with them to secure the funds, they unexpectedly informed him that they decided to drop the project. HALE was very surprised and naturally asked why they had changed their minds. Their leader replied, "We like you, HALE, and want you as our Representative. But this big development might bring in some people who wouldn't like you as we do. So we would rather just forget the development."

A unique tribute that reflects as much credit on those who conferred it as on the recipient. That incident illustrates the personal trust in HALE that resulted in his election to the House when he was only 25 years old. After three years of service in the Navy, during World War II, he returned to the House in 1946, and served there to the present time. His election by his Democratic colleagues as Majority Leader in 1971 was evidence of the fact that his colleagues shared the esteem for him of his Louisiana constituents.

HALE's devotion to the House was the measure of his respect for the dignity of his fellow man. Consequently, he had a towering regard for the office of those who were elected to positions of eminent authority by the people. He saw them as deputies using the authority whose final source is God. Typical of this attitude was his respect for the office of President, Vice President, and Speaker of the House. I remember frequently seeing him attend Mass at old St. Patrick's Church on Tenth Street in Washington when I was pastor there. In his usual cordial fashion HALE would always say a friendly "Hello" to the priest, but if the former Speaker, John McCormack was outside the Church, HALE would invariably tread his way over and pay his respects to the Speaker, always taking off his hat before shaking his hand, regardless of the weather.

This respect for the dignity of every man, typified by his respect for the elected authority, led him to support with indomitable courage legislation that benefited the community in almost every aspect of life. His zeal and vision are evident throughout not only his district, but the whole national community. That vision and courage were nowhere more evident than in the matter of civil rights.

Before he cast his vote on a hotly debated civil rights bill, he said simply that he had consulted his conscience, had talked with Lindy and his family and would act according to his convictions. He voted his conscience however hard the consequences.

HALE's political campaigns were authentic expressions of his convictions, expressing substance not sensation. He always said in his rich and deep-toned voice, "I always try to favor the things that bring people together, not those that divide them." He believed in this principle, whether it applied to neighborhoods or nations. Thus he was willing to go to Peking or anywhere else at the President's request in the cause of peace based on freedom and justice. He believed in the community of man who needs bread but cannot live on bread alone.

During one campaign he said that he got his campaign slogan once from reading the Sunday leaflet printed in this cathedral. After Mass, he went to see the Pastor, Father Nick, and gave him a donation for supplying him with his campaign slogan. This is no hint for those present today and we have no copyright in the Mass leaflets, nor on this sermon.

HALE was deeply aware, by his unusual acumen and his conscience, of the dilemma and contradictions in our age of wonderful technology—an age of Apollo voyages which we unstintingly praise, television by satellite, heart transplants, instantaneous communications. We have reached the moon but we have not yet reached our neighbor. We have probed the moon's surface but we have not sufficiently probed the heart of man, Dr. Carl Jung, the eminent psychiatrist, said years ago, "It is easier to reach the moon and Mars than it is to get inside the human being." Science, employed to serve man, has caused tensions and inequalities.

HALE recognized these contradictions and problems of our times. He not only knew them; he left them. He knew that the only means of resolving contradictions and bringing unity was an over-arching charity that could touch all men. His convictions were expressed in his zeal to push legislation that would make everyone feel our common charity and concern. He knew that a nation is composed of men and that the measure of a country is not the height of the Dow-Jones average but the height of every man's dignity and self-pride.

This is not to say that he did not appreciate the talents and efforts of those who produce our technology and our wealth. He recognized, in his own life of stewardship, that the concept of stewardship involves a difference in talents. But he recognized that those talents, granted by the Creator, were to be used for the Creator's purpose.

HALE was a man of deep compassion and courage. Mindful of the human condition, he always tried to work out a solution even for seemingly impossible problems knowing that dealing on a person-to-person basis is more effective than dealing only with documents. He believed that change, even drastic change, could be effected by evolution rather than revolution. HALE believed that a Congressman was not elected to elicit harsh judgments but to effect change. He sought always, even in the midst of debate, that attitude expressed by a philosophy, "I hope that I will always be for each man what he needs me to be . . . I hope that my love for those whom I like will never lessen my love for those whom I do not. I hope that another man's love for me will never be a measure of my love for him" ("In the Stillness Is the Dancing," p. 62).

Always buoyant, always optimistic, his steady faith in God, his spirit of hope and constant charity will gain him we pray, the Presence of the God he humbly tried to serve. He saw suffering and he tried to relieve it; he saw poverty and he tried to cure it; he saw the image of God in every man and he sought to honor it; he saw the vision of a more abundant life for all and he strove to effect it. To such a man of faith apply the words of the Sacred Liturgy which he so often heard and prayed, "For to your faithful, O Lord, life is changed not taken away; and this earthly abode being dissolved, a worthy habitation is prepared in heaven."

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: Let us pray.

On this solemn occasion, we turn confidently to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, asking salvation for our people, living and dead. We ask divine blessings . . .

Concelebrant: For our national, state and local leaders here assembled, give them the wisdom and the courage to take the righteous course in the affairs of state, to bring peace to our world and justice to all men in our beloved country, we pray to the Lord . . .

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Concelebrant: For our brother, HALE, whose memory we honor today and who was given the promise of eternal life in baptism, give him communion with you and your saints forever, we pray to the Lord . . .

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Concelebrant: For the members of the Boggs family, strengthen their faith in you and give them the courage to carry on the works of their beloved HALE who toiled throughout a lifetime to resolve differences between our races, to aid the poor and the disadvantaged, and to give direction to those who despaired in the future of our great nation, we pray to the Lord . . .

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Concelebrant: For the many friends and associates of HALE BOGGS who have gathered here today to worship in faith and for all who have died in hope of rising again in the light of your presence, we pray to the Lord . . .

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant: O God, your mercy is limitless and the treasury of your goodness is boundless. We give thanks to your gracious majesty for the gifts we have received. Instill in our hearts an unwavering love for you, and make all things that happen to us work together for our good. Through Christ Our Lord.

All: Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory hymn: Tantum ergo, 16th Century, anonymous, St. Louis Cathedral Choir.

INVITATION TO PRAYER

Celebrant: Pray, brethren, that our sacrifice may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name for our good, and the good of all his church.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Celebrant: Lord, accept this sacrifice we offer for our brother, HALE, on this day of his memorial. May your love cleanse him from his human weaknesses, and may your mercy forgive any sins he may have committed. We ask this through Christ, Our Lord.

All: Amen.

PREFACE

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Celebrant: Father, we do well to join all creation, in heaven and on earth, in praising you, our mighty God through Jesus Christ our Lord. We praise you with greater joy than ever when Christ became our paschal sacrifice. Through him the children of light are born to everlasting life, and the gates of heaven stand open to receive his people. For us his death brings ransom from death, his rising brings new life in him. And so, all creation in heaven and on earth, sings you a new song of praise. We too join with all your angels in heaven to proclaim your endless glory in a hymn of praise:

Sanctus & Benedictus, Palestrina-Lindusky, St. Louis Cathedral Choir.

EUCCHARIST PRAYER

Concelebrants: Lord, you are holy indeed, the fountain of all holiness.

Let your Spirit come upon these gifts to make them holy, so that they may become for us the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Before he was given up to death, a death he freely accepted, he took bread and gave you thanks. He broke the bread, gave it to his disciples, and said: Take this, all of you, and eat it; this is my body which will be given up for you. When the supper was ended, he took the cup. Again he gave you thanks and praise, gave the cup to his disciples, and said:

Take this, all of you, and drink from it: this is the cup of my blood, the blood of the new and everlasting covenant.

It will be shed for you and for all men so that sins may be forgiven.

Do this in memory of me.

Celebrant: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life, Lord Jesus, come in glory.

Concelebrants: In memory of his death and resurrection, we offer you, Father, this life-giving bread, this saving cup.

We thank you for counting us worthy to stand in your presence and serve you.

May all of us who share in the body and blood of Christ be brought together in unity by the Holy Spirit.

Lord, member your Church throughout the world; make us grow in love together with Paul, our Pope, Philip, our bishop, and all the clergy.

Remember HALE, whom we honor today.

In Baptism he died with Christ: may he also share in his resurrection.

Remember our brothers and sisters who have gone to their rest in the hope of rising again; bring them and all the departed into the light of your presence.

Have mercy on us all; make us worthy to share eternal life with Mary, the virgin mother of God, with the apostles, and with all the saints who have done your will throughout the ages.

May we praise you in union with them, and give you glory through your Son, Jesus Christ.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is your almighty Father, for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray with confidence to the Father in the words our Savior gave us:

All: Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

Celebrant: Deliver us, Lord, from every evil, and grant us peace in our day. In your mercy keep us free from sin and protect us from all anxiety as we wait in joyful hope for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ.

All: For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles: I leave you peace, my peace I give you. Look not on our sins, but on the faith of your Church, and grant us the peace and unity of your kingdom where you live for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

Agnus Dei, Palestrina-Lindusky, *St. Louis Cathedral Choir*.

COMMUNION OF THE FAITHFUL

Celebrant: This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. Happy are those who are called to his supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy to receive you, but only say the word and I shall be healed.

COMMUNION HYMNS

Alleluia, Randall Thompson.

Ave Verum, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart.

O Esca viatorum, Traditional. *St. Louis Cathedral Choir*.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray. Lord God, your Son Jesus Christ gave us the sacrament of his body and blood to guide us on our pilgrim way to your kingdom. May our brother HALE, who shared in the eucharist, come to the banquet of life Christ has prepared for us. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

CONCLUDING RITE

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: Also with you.

Celebrant: Bow your heads and pray for God's blessing. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

All: Now and forever.

Celebrant: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

All: Who made heaven and earth.

Celebrant: In his great love the God of all consolation gave man the gift of life. May he bless you with faith in the resurrection of his Son, and with the hope of rising to new life.

All: Amen.

Celebrant: And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, come upon you and remain with you for ever.

All: Amen.

FINAL COMMENDATION

Celebrant: Father, into your hands we commend our brother HALE. We are confident that with all who have served in Christ he will be raised to life on the last day and live with Christ for ever. We thank you for all the blessings you gave him in this life to show your fatherly care for all of us and the fellowship which is ours with the saints in Jesus Christ. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.



PRAYER BY REV. EDWARD GARDINER LATCH, D.D., L.H.D., CHAPLAIN, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Almighty and Eternal God, author of everlasting life and the giver of all good gifts, we come to Thee with deep sadness of heart as we think of the beloved figure of HALE BOGGS who walks no more with us. There is an empty chair in his home, an empty desk in his office, an empty seat in the House of Representatives and a lonely place in our national sky.

We mourn the passing of him who gathered into his own spirit the noble traditions of our American faith and hope. In our halls of government, he served his state and country with rugged honesty promoting his principles in seeking the good of all men. We recall how with strong voice and strong words he spoke on behalf of his party and his nation. His beliefs were firm, his faith sound, his courage without parallel—yet his handshake was tender, his heart overflowed with friendliness and his spirit reached out to touch others for good. Literally he gave his life in public service and in an endeavor to help a colleague who sought his support. Truly he is among those “who more than self their country loved and mercy more than life.”

We remember that when daily prayer was offered in the House of Representatives, HALE was in his place sharing his devotions with others. We remember his home warm with love, affections and sympathy always welcoming those who came. We remember this his Church—he loved with all his heart receiving the Ministry of Her Graces and responding with a faithful heart.

This is a dark day but we curse not the darkness but are among those who light the candles of faith and love.

Bless the family and these friends with the strength of Thy Spirit and power of Thy Presence. We pray in the Name of Him who is the resurrection and the life—Jesus Christ, Our Lord. Amen.



REMARKS BY THE HONORABLE CARL ALBERT, SPEAKER, U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

We have come here today—to this historic Cathedral in the city that HALE Boggs so deeply loved—to honor the memory of a friend, a great public servant, and a remarkable man.

No words of ours, and certainly no eulogy of mine, can pay proper tribute to this great American. The real tributes to HALE are the private and personal

memories that will remain keen and vivid in our minds. And those memories of him are as varied and as numerous as his friends who are gathered here today.

The vigorous and powerful personality of HALE BOGGS was always filled with life. His zest for living, his compassion for his fellow men, his keen and probing intellect could not help but overflow into the lives of those of us who were fortunate enough to walk through life with him. Within the hearts of each of us lies a treasure of heartfelt sentiments stemming from our recollections of the impact his life had on us.

If HALE BOGGS—the individual—cast a giant shadow, so did his nearly three decades of distinguished service in the United States House of Representatives. He deeply loved the House—where the esteem, respect and love in which he was held by all Members, regardless of politics, have never been surpassed in the history of that great institution.

He enjoyed its political life to the utmost and enriched its history immensely. Drawing his strength from the daily trials and vigors of Congressional life, he was a master strategist, a brilliant debater and a great compromiser—in the best sense of that word. His gregarious nature—his charm and ready wit—complemented his intelligence and persuasive use of power.

His rare ability to transform the most fiery, divisive issues into rational discussion bridge many factional chasms.

He had his finger on the pulse of the nation—and as much as any man I have ever known, he could read America's moods and understand its fears and aspirations.

HALE BOGGS' compassionate spirit was deeply rooted in his desire to help people. He crusaded to upgrade the lives of the poor, the sick, the downtrodden, and the elderly to insure equality for all Americans.

HALE's disappearance was a grievous loss not only to the House of Representatives, but to me personally. He was my right arm. We served together in the Democratic leadership for a full decade. And we served together as colleagues and friends for many years before that. Only my mentors, former Speakers Sam Rayburn and John McCormack, have been as close to me in the conduct of the business of the House of Representatives.

But the story of HALE BOGGS is more than one of a great public servant. He fostered one of the finest families I have ever known. The Boggs family has splendidly weathered the storms of political life and of personal grief, setting a strong example for all of us. HALE's good wife, Lindy, is truly a leader. His son, Tommy, and his daughters, Barbara and Corinne, are three of the finest and most decent people I have ever known.

This family provided the key inspiration, understanding and love for the man we honor. HALE was always extremely proud of his family. They were an active part of his public as well as his private life and they stand tall in his image today.

So HALE BOGGS was an exceptional individual—as husband, father, political leader and friend. We would all agree with the journalist who recently said, "He was close to the irreplaceable man."

HALE BOGGS stood like a towering oak—among his fellow men—and his absence, as Edwin Markham said of another great leader “leaves a lonesome place against the sky.”

While we shall long grieve at his loss we shall forever remember his joyful life and give thanks that we could share a portion of it together. I shall feel the warmth of his friendship as long as I live.

HYMN AFTER THE BLESSING

America the Beautiful, Katharine Lee Bates, Samuel Ward, Congregation:

O beautiful for spacious skies, for amber waves of grain
For purple mountain majesties above the fruited plain!
America, America, God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood from sea to shining sea.
O beautiful for pilgrim feet, whose stern impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat across the wilderness
America, America, God mend thine every flaw
Confirm thy soul in self-control, thy liberty in law.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

Battle Hymn of the Republic, Julia Ward Howe, William Steffe, Xavier University Concert Choir.

POSTLUDE

We All Believe in One God, J. S. Bach, Malcolm J. Breda, Chairman, Department of Music, Xavier University.

SALUTE

United States Armed Services, Jackson Square.

FOR HALE

You left us with blueprints and banners
in the midst of projects and motions;
ready to plan, to plant and to hope.
We talk to the eyes of your silence,
answer that deep down bell of your voice,
declare it a generous summons
we will heed and trust and follow.
Your habit was laughter, at praise or at pomp,
your language was friendship, you were a bridge
we could cross, a shade tree we sought.
We hold you, persuader, defender,
we hold you, yet know you have taken
your light to another landscape.
Spendthrift, you've left us your grace, your balm,
trumpets to sound, hosannas to raise,
your heights to climb, your purpose proclaim.

—Katie Louchheim

ST. LOUIS CATHEDRAL CHOIR

Donice Alverson, Jack Belsom, Jean Claude Bouchet, Vicki Brana, Joan Broekhoven, Mary Lee Burke, Linda Cesary, James Cobette, Jeanne Collins, Merlin Corcoran, Nelle Donahue, Elizabeth Druhan, Dorothy Fernon, Susan Fitch, Joe Hamner, Reni Hamner.

Amelie Hardin, Nadine Haynes, Irma Henry, John J. Joyce, Jr., Edward McInnis, Gary Mannina, Sally Marshall, Mary Elizabeth Paltron, Valencia Scott, Steven Smith, Colette Stelly, James Stelly, Dorothy Stephenson, Jewel Theiler, Marilyn Thomas, Mario Ullivarri, Jr., Mason Webster.

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Loria C. Jordan, Dedra Lacoste, Lynn F. Livas, Patricia A. McGuire, Camille Metoyer, Vanessa R. Parker, Vernon C. Richards, Marion Smith, Shirley A. Stewart, John E. Ware, Fannell T. Watts, Alton L. White.

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Charles D. Marshall, Alberto E. Meneses, George W. Miller, Jr., Bernard D. Mintz, Ashton Phelps, G. Henry Pierson, Edward D. Poitevent, Samuel I. Rosenberg, Archibald B. D. Saint, Edward F. Strauss, Jr., Moise S. Steeg, Jr.

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THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

What is it? Many voices venture many answers.

To Sam Rayburn, 17 years its Speaker, it was "the highest theater in the world."

A century ago Britisher James Bryce seemed to agree:

"This huge hall filled with perpetual clamor, this multitude of keen and eager faces, this ceaseless coming and going, the irreverent public watching from the galleries . . . of what tremendous struggles may not this hall become

the theater in ages yet far distant when parliaments of Europe have shrunk into insignificance?"

Later Stephen K. Bailey said the House is "the supremely humanizing agency of our government, critic, educator, balance wheel, stubborn insistor that technology be discussed in terms of its human effects, at best prudent provider, sister and refiner of legislative proposals, compromiser of conflict . . . our long term freedom depends upon it."

More than walls, members and parliamentary ritual, the House is a symbol of America's search for freedom and justice. During 184 years 10,000 men and women have wrought its history with heroes like Madison, John Quincy Adams, Lincoln and Webster along with the unremembered whose unsung contributions are history too.

A member of the British House of Commons, John Buchan understood it thusly; "What made it all so impressive and in its way effective? Partly the long tradition . . . men just like them, no better informed or abler had preserved our liberties . . . Chiefly the House was truly representative . . . the people . . . were governing, not a batch of supermen."

—D. B. HARDEMAN.

LOVE FINDS A TIME FOR EVERYTHING

For everything there is a season,
and a time for every matter under heaven:
a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
a time to cast away stones,
and a time to gather stones together.

—Ecclesiastes 3:15.

Mr. GERALD R. FORD. Mr. Speaker, although HALE BOGGS came to the House several years before I did, either fate or other circumstances seemed to put both of us in situations where we were working together, or on some occasions in friendly competition with one another.

Let me cite some of the experiences—and, if I might, I would like to reminisce about the experiences we shared, because through those experiences I developed a close friendship with HALE, a tremendous admiration and respect for him, and a feeling that with HALE's passing I have lost a person very close to me.

In the first place, Mr. Speaker, both HALE and I served with five others on the Warren Commission. Both HALE and I served in the

leadership of our respective parties, HALE first as majority whip and then later majority leader, and I have been the minority leader during the last 8-plus years.

HALE and I had somewhat similar roles in several of our respective party political conventions.

To cap it all, in June and July of 1972 HALE, Lindy, my wife and I, with our staff, went to China on a 16-day trip at the request of the President.

Let me reminisce if I might about each of those several personal experiences, where we became very close, where we worked together, and where I think we tried to help one another for the benefit of our respective responsibilities.

All of us remember the tragic assassination of President Kennedy. President Johnson, in order to try and find out some answers, asked the Chief Justice of the United States, Earl Warren, to head up a commission. He appointed two members from the outside, Allen Dulles and John McCloy. He appointed two Senators, Senator Richard Russell and Senator John Sherman Cooper. He appointed HALE BOGGS and myself from the House. From November of that tragic year until the following September the seven of us worked extraordinarily hard in trying to find the answers, and to make some recommendations so that that kind of a tragedy would not happen again in America. HALE BOGGS and I during this period became extremely well acquainted. We spent many hours listening to testimony, reading testimony and trying to write a report.

As a matter of fact, on the last day of the commission's deliberations, HALE BOGGS, Senator Dick Russell, and I worked very closely in trying to get the right phraseology in one of the most critical decisions of the commission. If the Members will read the commission's report, they will find that we did indicate that Lee Harvey Oswald was the assassin, and, secondly, we said there was no evidence of a conspiracy, foreign or domestic. The staff of the commission had recommended that the report say there was no evidence of a conspiracy, foreign or domestic, and Dick Russell, HALE BOGGS, and I would not go that far. I think it was wise to make that decision. All we could attest to was that we found no evidence of a conspiracy, foreign or domestic, and those are the words that are in that commission report.

It was a pretty hectic afternoon. The staff was good, and there were those on the commission who believed the staff report or recommendation was the right one. But HALE BOGGS was strong, articulate, and effective, and as a consequence this change was made with the help of Senator Russell and myself.

As I indicated earlier, HALE and I had somewhat corresponding positions in each of our two political parties on the floor of the House. I had the privilege of working with him and helping a Democratic President during the first 4 years of my service as a minority leader. At that time he was the majority whip, but I worked with him as I did with the then majority leader, now our Speaker, Carl Albert. It was always a privilege and a pleasure because we seemed to understand one another on the matters that were of major importance—and there were many of them. We did not approach our actions from a partisan point of view.

Since 1969 HALE was the majority whip, and then the majority leader, with a Republican president. Here, although the roles were different, his same fine attitude prevailed. I can say nothing but, "Thank you" for the opportunity to have worked with HALE during these difficult times for both a Republican as well as a Democratic President.

As I indicated also, HALE had positions of responsibility in several Democratic Conventions. The last two I served as the permanent chairman of the Republican Convention, but we used to reminisce about problems in political conventions—and they are congenital, whether they are Democratic or Republican Conventions. We used to wonder whether some rulings, decisions, or actions had been entirely right, but I guess we took some solace in that we had been a part of these great political operations.

The last, and really the most wonderful, experience was the trip that HALE and Lindy and my wife, Betty, and I took to China. It was a most difficult trip timewise, traveling, and in every other way, but I do not know four people who could have gotten along better. I can say without hesitation or qualification that the United States never had a better person representing our country in some very important areas than we had in HALE BOGGS on this trip to China.

We met for more than 6½ hours with Chou En-lai. It was a very, very difficult experience, and HALE and I had the responsibility of upholding our country's position with this very great world leader. HALE did a superb job. On the other hand, in our trips from one community to another in China and in the many luncheons and many dinners, part of the routine, as Members may have guessed from seeing on television the President when he was in China, there had to be toasts given. Our hosts would always give a toast, and then HALE and I had agreed he would respond first and I would follow. Let me say parenthetically he was a tough act to follow because HALE spoke eloquently, effectively, and very strongly for our country. I sat in admiration on many occasions wondering how I could possibly approximate the job he had done.

But all this really ends up by letting me say I have lost a very close personal friend, a person I had great respect for, whether we agreed with one another or differed. I can only say to Lindy that Betty and I have many, many times said we would do almost anything if HALE were back so we could have those associations again. Both of us wish Lindy and the family the very, very best.

Mr. MAHON. Mr. Speaker, the booming voice of HALE BOGGS is no longer heard in the House of Representatives. His influence, however, is still here. Here also is his lovely wife, Lindy, who is serving her people and the Nation in keeping with the finest traditions of the House of Representatives.

I am among those still remaining in the House who were here when HALE BOGGS came to Congress. I saw him grow step by step into a position of leadership and power. He gave the full measure of devotion to the people he represented and to the Nation as a whole.

I have been especially impressed with the tributes which have been paid today to the memory of our distinguished friend. How could one add to the brilliant tribute which has been paid to HALE BOGGS by Chairman Edward Hébert of the House Armed Services Committee. Eloquent also have been the tributes paid by the Speaker, the majority leader, the minority leader and others.

I shall not attempt to repeat what has already been said here about the record of this distinguished legislator, but I do want to join in the warm tributes which have been paid to his memory.

I was present in New Orleans on January 4, 1973, at the memorial service. It was good to observe the love and devotion of the people of New Orleans for their departed leader and friend.

In honoring our friend, HALE BOGGS, we do credit to ourselves. As we pay tribute to his memory and express our sympathy to his loved ones left behind, it is good for us to dedicate ourselves anew to the highest traditions of the House of Representatives and to the preservation of the American system of government to which HALE BOGGS devoted his life.

Mr. HÉBERT. Mr. Speaker, before I yield to the members of the Louisiana delegation, I would like to express on behalf of the members of the Louisiana delegation here present our gratitude to Speaker McCormack for being with us today. I want to say that each of us is most grateful Speaker McCormack has come here today to be present with us. I know he held HALE in high esteem, as he did all who served with him. The former Speaker was majority leader when we came here and we looked to him for guidance from the very beginning. I want to express the gratitude of everyone of us in the Louisiana delegation and I cannot speak the word of gratitude that our beloved former Speaker has taken the time to return to this Chamber in which he served for so long and so well to be here while we pay tribute to the memory of HALE BOGGS.

Mr. PASSMAN. Mr. Speaker, I deeply regret the occasion for today's tribute to our departed colleague, the Honorable HALE BOGGS. Many of us continued to maintain a faint hope that somehow he would be returned to us.

It was my good fortune to know HALE well because our offices were close together for many years. HALE BOGGS was a man who always made you feel good just to be around him, and even though differences on legislation occurred, he nevertheless always extended a helping hand to anyone in need. He had a great capacity for love, friendship, and good humor.

HALE BOGGS was indeed a distinguished Member of this august body for many years. He handled himself in such a way as to acquire

the esteem of all Members of this House and, for that matter, those in the Senate and officials in both the judicial and executive branches. His capacity for hard work and his understanding of other Members' problems rapidly in the House of Representatives made it possible for him to advance where he served so long and so well. He was destined to go even higher until He-that-is-on-High removed him from our midst.

It is almost strange how the friendship between HALE and myself remained strong. Even when I did not follow his leadership, it never marred our friendship nor interfered with our almost daily greetings. When I first came to Congress, HALE was always available for advice and he, more than anyone else, made it possible for me to obtain membership on the powerful Committee on Appropriations.

Even though HALE is apparently gone, his good deeds and innumerable kindnesses, not only to the Members of this body but to the personnel employed by the House, will linger long in these hallowed Halls.

Mr. Speaker, history will be extremely kind to HALE BOGGS. Few men in public life have made a deeper or more lasting impression on the minds of men than has HALE BOGGS. Millions of our fellow Americans know that this world is a better place in which to live for HALE BOGGS having lived in it.

To his lovely and talented wife, Lindy, who is now our colleague, and his family I extend my deepest sympathy.

Mr. WAGGONER. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep regret that I join today in paying tribute to and honoring my dear friend and former colleague, HALE BOGGS.

I recall that I was in Bucharest, Romania, on a trade mission for the President and was spending the night in our American Embassy when HALE's flight was reported overdue. The American Ambassador came early to my room that morning to tell me that HALE was missing. That fact is just as hard to comprehend now as it was then. Nevertheless, the anxiety has all but faded away.

For nearly 25 years, HALE represented the Second District of Louisiana. For nearly half of that time, I was privileged and honored to serve in the House and in the Louisiana congressional delegation with him. Everyone who knew HALE well, as I did, knew him to be a kind

and gentle man with a warm heart, ever sensitive to the needs of the American people who he loved dearly.

I followed HALE BOGGS' career both before and after I was elected to Congress—from his election in 1946 to the 80th Congress, his outstanding contributions as a member of the Ways and Means Committee, then his election as majority whip in 1962, and finally, his election as majority leader in 1972. As House majority leader, HALE served his country and his party well. His inquisitive nature, his deep intelligence, and his insight into people made him a natural for that position and for the role he played in the legislative process in America.

From his position of leadership in the House, HALE was able to do more for Louisiana and the Nation than most people realize. I can recall working with HALE day in and day out on matters before the House, and I will treasure and remember those years for the rest of my life. While the two of us disagreed philosophically from time to time, we never disagreed personally. This is so because HALE had that quality of being able to disagree without being disagreeable. I respected and admired him for the firmness of his dedication to the ideals and convictions he believed in.

HALE had what every good and successful man must have. He had a wife who was devoted in every sense of the word and filled with love for HALE. A wife who had abilities that equaled his. They had a wonderful family together. It was my privilege on occasions too numerous to mention to have been a guest in their home. No one ever seemed to get more pleasure out of opening their home to friends than did HALE and I do not believe that there is a Member of the House of Representatives who served with HALE who at one time or another was not invited to be a guest in his home. The latchstring was always out and was on the friends side of the door.

While HALE's loss took a great toll on the State of Louisiana and the Louisiana congressional delegation, the entire Congress felt the impact of the tragedy.

This is a sad time for me. While it is a privilege and honor to join with my many colleagues in paying tribute to this leader among men, it is difficult for me to do so. I succeeded HALE on the Ways and Means Committee. Each time I enter this Chamber, I remember the man; and his absence affects me greatly.

Louisiana and the Nation had a friend in HALE BOGGS; Louisiana and the Nation will miss his leadership. As a close personal friend, I,

too, will miss him. It has been said that every cloud has a silver lining and to a point this one does too and I do not mean to make the words appear trite and timeworn but HALE himself provided this silver lining and I am sure he knows and looks down with pleasure on Lindy as his successor.

Mr. BREAUx. Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS began his career in Congress as the youngest Democrat in the 77th session. Fifteen sessions later he had risen to become the majority leader—the post he held in the 92d Congress at the time of his tragic disappearance in October of 1972.

A politician in the classic American tradition, HALE BOGGS was able to maintain and elevate his position in Congress only through diligence, hard work and a sincere love and respect for the House of Representatives to which he devoted his life.

Although it was my privilege to have served with Congressman Boggs for only a brief period, I retain a deep feeling of gratitude to his memory, since one of his final public functions prior to leaving Washington on his ill-fated trip to Alaska was to be present at my swearing-in during the last few weeks of the 92d Congress, on October 12, 1972.

His political career is one which deserves to be studied and admired by every student of government. Never one to publicly seek acclaim or recognition outside his congressional district, he nevertheless was named to serve on the President's Commission on the assassination of President Kennedy; he served as parliamentarian at the 1964 Democratic National Convention, was chairman of the platform committee at the National Convention in 1968, and was vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee from 1954 until his disappearance. And all of this was in addition to his committee and legislative duties in Congress, which, by themselves, would be sufficient to tax the energies of any ordinary man.

But HALE BOGGS was not an ordinary man. The people of New Orleans knew that. Throughout his political career, he was a man who could visit almost anywhere in that historic city and be welcomed as one with the people he served. They respected and admired him; he respected and was one of them.

Another tribute to HALE BOGGS' memory can be found in his family. His wife, Corinne, more affectionately known as "Lindy," now

serves in his place in Congress; his daughters and son remain a credit to his name and memory as well as a credit to themselves through individual accomplishments.

He will be missed—he is missed by his colleagues in Congress and by his thousands of friends in Louisiana.

But behind he leaves a memory which also is a legacy; a legacy which testifies to what an American can accomplish when he is dedicated to the principles of good government, a productive life for all Americans, a strong family life and service to his constituency.

Mr. LONG of Louisiana. Mr. Speaker, 7 months have passed since we lost HALE, yet, if anything, our appreciation of him has been enhanced with the passage of time. Each time I enter this Chamber, or stand in this well, I think of him, for in my mind he is permanently associated with this institution. HALE loved the House of Representatives. For him it was the fundamental democratic institution of American Government. This Chamber and this well he regarded as the town hall of our Nation. It is here that the thoughts, the hopes, fears, and aspirations of the people find expression. It is here that differences are aired and reconciled, issues debated and resolved. I know of no one more gifted as a speaker than HALE; when he spoke from this well the House listened. Last fall that voice was stilled. Its message of reason and reconciliation, however, will endure.

It is never easy to accept the loss of a friend. It is made more difficult when that friend was in the prime of life. It is especially difficult when that friend possessed as much energy, intelligence and force of life as did HALE. Anyone who knew him—and that includes virtually anyone active in the affairs of our country during the past 25 years—is familiar with the qualities of which I speak.

HALE was, as the saying goes, a politician in the best and noblest sense of the word. Problems existed to be solved, human differences to be reconciled, in the interest of a common good. Compromise was not an evil but a necessary and useful tool in the legislative process. Politics for HALE was the art of the possible, and in his capable hands the realm of the possible underwent regular expansion. As he saw it, the test of political leadership was the capacity to reconcile divergent views and to find common grounds upon which constructive programs could be founded. William S. White said it best when he wrote of HALE:

He stood as a truly effective human bridge between many competing qualities . . . And he served to sustain between them a link of tolerance and in the end a capacity for common action. Under his leadership, divergencies of all kinds—regional, cultural, ideological, racial—remained only matters for rational discussion and disputation rather than spurting up into reasons for implacable and wasteful infighting.

HALE was a southerner, and he loved the people and land of his origin, but he brought a national perspective to his work. There was nothing about him that was parochial or base. He had courage and conviction and compassion. During the 1960's he took stands which were controversial, to put it mildly, among his constituents. All were constrained to admire his courage. In the final analysis, I think it will be said that HALE BOGGS led the South through a difficult period of social change and that he contributed to a new era of cooperation and progress in our part of the country.

He brought a similar energy and courage to every field of public policy. He had a keen mind that moved easily from Louisiana levees to international economics. He could talk to an oyster farmer in south Louisiana in the morning and an European economic minister in the afternoon, leaving both of them enlightened.

HALE believed that government has a useful and constructive role to play in meeting people's needs and solving national problems. The task of the Congress to him was to define that role and to apply our resources toward achieving national goals.

Now he is gone. The void that HALE leaves and the grief which so many of us feel, I believe, are relieved when we reflect how fortunate we were to have this good and gifted man among our leaders.

Mr. TREEN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to join in this tribute by my colleagues to HALE BOGGS. My relationship to HALE was substantially different from the relationship which you enjoyed with HALE.

As the Republican nominee in the Second District of Louisiana, I opposed HALE BOGGS in the general elections of 1962, 1964, and 1968. In each successive campaign the competition between us grew stronger.

The 1968 campaign was a particularly grueling experience for me—As I believe it was for HALE. It was one which was hard fought on both sides.

My opposition to HALE was based on fundamental political differences—sincerely held on both sides. The several campaigns were confrontations on these issues. They were, I believe I can safely say, remarkably free of personal allegations and recriminations.

It is a somewhat curious fact that, although we contended against each other three times, it was not until more than a year after the 1968 race that I ever had the privilege of meeting HALE. In fact, it was not until after the Louisiana Legislature reapportioned the districts so that we resided thereafter in different congressional districts.

So I never knew HALE as an individual until after those campaigns, but I came to know him somewhat following. He was always kind, and cordial, and courteous—despite the fact that for approximately 6 years I was a rather persistent thorn in his side.

As a result of those campaigns and the contacts which we had following those campaigns, I developed a regard and a respect for HALE that is difficult for me to describe.

This is not to say that there was any lessening of the philosophical differences which I perceived existed between us, but there developed on my part a genuine sense of respect of the kind I suppose exists on the part of an athletic competitor who contends against another repeatedly. HALE was an aggressive, determined, and highly competent fighter for his point of view in election campaigns and in the Congress. I respected him for that, and I respected him for the sincerity of his views.

When HALE was lost in Alaska, and as the rescue efforts drug on to the point of hopelessness, I experienced a great sense of loss because HALE had been a major part of my political life.

I felt a sense of anguish and sorrow for his family which had always played a major part in his political life.

Today, I join my colleagues in paying tribute to a man who, for all of his life fought unceasingly for his ideas on the betterment of America.

There is no higher calling than service to mankind. HALE BOGGS answered that call with every fiber of his being.

What a great world we would have if all men were likewise dedicated.

Mrs. SULLIVAN. Mr. Speaker, when the 93d Congress convened on January 3, of this year, the Democratic Members were faced with

the sad and poignant duty of selecting a new majority leader to replace a man who had served with distinction and effectiveness in that important role, and who was the personal friend of every Member who had served with him during a long career in the House.

A great source of strength in our system of government is the continuity of our institutions even when outstanding leaders die, are defeated, or retire voluntarily. The work goes on; decisions which have to be made are made; new leaders take the reins and devise new approaches to old problems, and bring their own personalities to bear on the achievement of difficult political goals. But we always remember with gratitude and affection those who previously carried the burdens of leadership during periods of stress and crisis, and who performed their assignments with unusual technical skill and personal charm.

Thus, all of us who ever served here with HALE BOGGS will remember him with just such gratitude and affection. Long before he was the majority whip and then the majority leader of the House, HALE BOGGS was a leader among those who believed in, and fought for, good government and high standards of public service. During his many years on the Committee on Ways and Means, he became an outstanding and widely acclaimed expert on tax legislation, on social security issues, reciprocal trade, and many other complex matters coming before that committee.

What is not generally known is that HALE BOGGS was one of the first to recognize—and propose effective solutions for—the terribly serious problem of the nonnarcotic dangerous drugs in the days when governmental controls over the barbiturates, amphetamines and hallucinogens or so-called psycho-drugs were weak and ineffectual and public awareness of the danger was almost nonexistent. It is easy to push a popular cause in Congress; it takes real dedication to work for the passage of legislation which is desperately needed to head off serious problems most people have not read about or heard about. As a sponsor of the Drug Abuse Control Act of 1965, I know how much pioneering work HALE BOGGS did in this field to help pave the way for the 1965 act.

HALE BOGGS left this House under characteristic circumstances—helping another Member. Throughout his career in the House, he

was always responsive to the problems and needs of his colleagues and this spirit of helpfulness to and involvement with other Members led to his early selection for leadership status, first as deputy whip, then as whip, then as majority leader. But HALE was much more than a helpful good fellow. He worked for the accomplishment of great political goals; he worked unceasingly for the passage of good legislation in which he believed. The fact that he had done so much for so many Members over the years certainly earned great dividends for the country in terms of the support he received as majority leader on major controversial issues.

His constituents of the Second Congressional District of Louisiana were singularly fortunate in having HALE BOGGS as their Congressman, and in having available to succeed him the extraordinary lady who had worked so hard alongside him to help HALE BOGGS perform his great feats of service to New Orleans and the Nation. The warmth with which Lindy was accepted into the House following her special election to succeed her husband was a spontaneous demonstration of our love for her as well as our esteem for HALE.

The tragedy of HALE's disappearance and the agony of Lindy and their family during those difficult days was shared by many of us who have known the Boggs family, but the very wonderful memories that each one of the family has of son, husband, and father will live forever and help to console them as the years go by.

Mr. LANDRUM. Mr. Speaker, one of the most rewarding experiences of my life as a public official, and my tenure as a Member of this body, was to know and to have been associated with HALE BOGGS. He was a politician in the true sense of the Webster definition, that a politician is one skilled in the science of government. Not only was HALE skilled in that science of government, but he was equally skillful in his capacity to bring to the people the real issues of the time, and to convince those whom he was able to contact that his views were worthy. He was aggressive in his capacity, but at the same time he was pleasant, despite the fact that from time to time in this field of activity one finds it necessary to be aggressive. He was bold and courageous, and yet at the same time he was genuinely prudent. He was one who was able to disagree without being disagreeable. No Member who served and worked with HALE BOGGS could be less than a little bit greater, a little bit more concerned about na-

tional and international affairs, because HALE just simply would not let one stay around without having him understand that this business was the business of making not only these United States and this Nation tick, but also that of making the world tick.

His guidance to me pertaining to matters of my committee activities are experiences that I shall not forget.

When we learned that he wanted to become majority leader, it was easy for the members of our Georgia delegation to decide, and quickly so, that this was the man we needed for majority leader.

He was truly a majority leader. He was unafraid of the political consequences that might befall one who took an unpopular stand. With that example he made us all stronger and better Democrats. We miss him. I heard someone saying earlier in eulogizing HALE that we will not hear his booming articulate voice again, but despite the fact that we miss him and his physical presence, we are fortunate to have his able widow grace these halls with the same charm and the same effective attention to Members that he was able to give. While it is true that one never replaces another she will come about as near as anyone in replacing him as an effective legislator as there can be.

I am so happy that he has lived to serve this Nation and this world which he loved so well, and to be able to say that his widow who has such great charm and such tremendous capacity is now following in his footsteps and helping us all to become more interested more determined and more effective legislators.

Mr. FLYNT. Mr. Speaker, it is indeed a privilege for me to join today with the distinguished chairman of the House Committee on Armed Services, the dean of the Louisiana delegation, in paying richly deserved tribute to the memory of a great American, an outstanding Member of this House, and my beloved personal friend, HALE BOGGS, late a Representative from Louisiana.

As my colleague, the gentleman from Georgia (Mr. Landrum), said just a moment ago, one of the most pleasant parts of my service in this body was the opportunity to be closely associated with HALE and to work with him. I have heard many people say, and I have on many occasions myself made the statement that HALE BOGGS was perhaps the most articulate Member of this House. He was a leader in every sense of the word. He spoke from this well on many, many occasions with genuine eloquence. He spoke with conviction. There were times

when HALE and I voted differently, just as there were times when we disagreed on certain issues, and yet he was a man with whom one could find oneself in disagreement and at the same time love him for himself and recognize that even though his views on a particular matter might be different from one's own, he believed in his views and his point of view as deeply and sincerely as any man whom I have ever known. There were not a great many times when we found ourselves on different sides of a given issue, and quite often he would in a good-natured manner chide me about my particular view on a particular bill. At the same time, he did it with that good nature which was HALE BOGGS.

HALE and I were within a few months of the same age. He came to Congress nearly 14 years before I did. He was a veteran when I came here in my first term, and he and I almost immediately became very warm, good personal friends.

For many years, both when he was whip and subsequently when he was leader, it was my pleasure to meet with him on nearly every Thursday morning during the legislative session. I cherish the recollection and memories of those Thursday morning meetings.

I might add, Mr. Speaker, that they did not stop or cease when he was elevated by the vote of the Democratic caucus from majority whip to majority leader, because we would simply transfer the meeting place from the old whip's office to the majority leader's office.

At my invitation, he visited Georgia on a number of occasions, and I was indeed proud of his being there. I was proud of his appearance and of what he said. He spoke to a university group one time and made one of the most favorable impressions that I have ever known one of my colleagues, or for that matter anyone else, to make on the educational community where he spoke.

On another occasion, he accompanied me to Atlanta to speak to the Atlanta Bar Association. Everyone there universally thanked me for bringing to the annual meeting of the bar association the most effective, most interesting speaker that they had ever been privileged to have visit them.

Mr. Speaker, I certainly want to mention the association of our families. We enjoyed every occasion that brought the Boggs and the Flynts together. Lindy and HALE's daughter Cokie and our

daughter Susan attended the same college, so we had a tie there as well as through Lindy and through HALE.

Mr. Speaker, I somehow feel that all of us who knew and served with HALE are a little bit better because we walked part of the way with him. His dedicated service to his district, his State, and our Nation certainly reflected credit upon the highest traditions of the State of Louisiana and upon the House of Representatives of the United States of America.

Mr. Speaker, Patty and our children join me in extending on this occasion our love and affection to Mrs. Boggs, their children and grandchildren and HALE's mother.

Mr. MITCHELL of Maryland. Mr. Speaker, in a very strange kind of development, I knew HALE BOGGS before I ever came to the Congress of the United States. I knew him even before I had ever met him. That may sound contradictory, but it really is not. You see I remember during the difficult times in the 1960's when the Congress was trying to deal with civil rights legislation and my brother, Clarence Mitchell, Jr., would come home to Baltimore. He stopped some nights and we would talk about the men who were providing leadership for the Nation.

Almost inevitably Clarence would say:

HALE BOGGS is providing leadership to the Nation on this issue.

And indeed he was.

I remember the time some years ago when I was in New Orleans, in uniform, in the service of my country. I remember that when I got on the public transportation system someone gently advised me that there was a bar, and black people, whether they were in the service or not, sat behind that bar. I refused to do so, but I felt humiliated. I recall my last recent visit to New Orleans, where I enjoyed the hospitality, the warmth, and courtesy associated with the city. There was no consideration of color in the treatment I, a black man, was accorded.

HALE BOGGS made the difference. He did indeed move a Nation.

Then I met HALE BOGGS after I was elected to the Congress. I went over to see him knowing that he perhaps could give me 3 minutes out of his crowded schedule. That was all I wanted, just to meet

and talk with him. He said, "Oh, no; sit down." He talked for about 5 or 10 or 15 minutes, and I talked. Then I said, "I know how busy you must be. I am going to leave you." He said:

No, do not leave, because the things I want to tell you are important things. The things I want to share with you are important things.

We had a warm and enriching conversation. In a part of that conversation HALE BOGGS said:

You know, this Nation is too great for any one person to ever be hungry. I really believe that.

I said, "I believe you."

Then later on in that long conversation he said to me:

We have come so far in this country in terms of ending the inequities based on race.

He smiled and he said:

But we have so much further to go, and I am not going to rest until all of the inequities based on race are erased.

Those who served with him for a long period of time knew him as a skillful politician. I did not. Those who served with him for a long period of time knew him better as a skilled debater. I knew him best as a warm and wonderful man who loved humanity and who acted out that love for humanity every day in some fashion, in some guise.

So I am honored and grateful that I would be given the time to contribute to this eulogy.

No person speaks for all black Americans. No person speaks for all Americans. But I know that as I stand in this well today I am speaking for tens of thousands of black Americans who recognized the decency and the honor and the integrity and the commitment and the humanity of a Hale Boggs. For this we are grateful.

Mrs. Boggs, obviously you know how strongly I feel about this matter, and obviously you know how grateful I am that you will now serve in the House of Representatives.

Mr. MAILLIARD. Mr. Speaker, I cannot match the eloquence we have heard here this afternoon, and we have consumed a lot of time.

There has not been too much comment from this side of the aisle as yet, but this certainly does not mean we do not wholly and com-

pletely share the views that have been expressed by the leadership, by those of the Louisiana delegation and others who have spoken, because we certainly do.

I do not want to strike a sour note on a solemn occasion, but, on this side of the aisle, let us face it, HALE was a great Democrat and he could be very partisan when his responsibilities required him to be so.

We admired him for that, although he stunned us occasionally with his great zeal.

Mr. Speaker, may I say that more than 20 years ago, when I came here as a freshman Congressman, I think probably the greatest personal kindnesses that were shown to me were shown to me by HALE and Lindy Boggs. They were just wonderful people. They sort of took us to their hearts, and both socially and in the business of the House never did I get turned away by the gentleman who held positions of leadership on the Democratic side of the aisle. He always had time to listen to my problems, and if I could convince him that my point of view was right, he would help me, a very unimportant Republican Congressman, every bit as much as he would someone to whom he had a more direct responsibility.

So, as I say, without attempting to match the wonderful words that have been said here, I think that simple little fact reveals, in a very simple way, what has been said in a much grander fashion what a wonderful person HALE was and how much we miss him, and despite these tragic circumstances, how delighted we all are to have Lindy serving here with us.

Mr. CONTE. Mr. Speaker, many times we have met here to speak of departed Members—men and women whom we deeply respected and admired. But seldom, if ever, have the circumstances been as sad, as tragic, as the circumstances that surround the death of Majority Leader HALE BOGGS.

For this was not a man at the end of his career heading gracefully toward a well-deserved retirement. He was not a man whose work was completed.

Our memory of the late majority leader is one of a man at the height of his powers; a man of influence who accepted the responsibility of influence and used it justly; and, most of all, a man with a

tremendous zest for life and a hunger for serving his people, this Congress, and this country.

Those very traits which made him great also contributed to his decision to take the ill-fated trip to Alaska last autumn. He went there to lend assistance, to be of help. None of us who knew him was surprised that he would make such an effort for another.

Many men are pretty much defined by the benchmarks of their careers, those accomplishments readily cited in biographies. But that is not enough to describe HALE BOGGS.

Raised and educated through law school in the New Orleans area he loved and served so well; the youngest Democrat in the 77th Congress; wartime service in the Navy; election to the House in 1946, culminating in his selection as majority whip in 1962 and majority leader in 1971—these are merely highlights. They do not tell the full story of the man who was a leader in every sense of the term in this House and in this country.

Like all true leaders, HALE BOGGS did not draw tight little circles around his life and his concerns. He drew his circles boldly, encompassing many people, many causes, many interests. And he had the fortitude to go against the tide when he determined that was the proper course.

Admiration for such a man is not limited by the aisle that separates this House. As one who was privileged to know both the public and private HALE BOGGS, I treasure the memories of time spent with him. He was always trying to get me to come down to New Orleans to address his friends at the annual St. Joseph's Day celebration. And when he would introduce me to his friends, he used to say, jokingly, "Sil is my kind of Republican."

But it is surely no joke when I say that he was "my kind of man."

The name "HALE BOGGS" will not be forgotten in this Chamber. And if that name will remain alive, so too will the proud tradition of service which he established. For that is being ably continued by his gracious and talented widow, Mrs. Lindy Boggs.

Mr. Speaker, we all have been grieved by the tragic loss of HALE BOGGS. But with the pain, we also must have appreciation for the opportunity to have known and served with such a man.

Mr. BURTON. Mr. Speaker, how can any one of us individually or even collectively capture in a few words the wonderful human being and colleague that we knew and called HALE BOGGS?

HALE loved his family. He loved his country and he loved its people. HALE loved politics and HALE loved life. He served his country and its people here in the House of Representatives as one of its most articulate, intelligent, hard-working and effective leaders. He gave his family all of the enormous love that was repositied in his soul. If it had to come—and it does come to all of us—I would like to think that when HALE BOGGS' time came, as cruelly and as unexpectedly as it did last November, I believe in my heart, he would have had it no other way than on the campaign trail helping a younger Member, Nick Begich, in Nick's effort to be reelected.

One hardly knows where to begin and where to end in terms of anecdotes or personal experiences relating to HALE. Perhaps the most joyous single event of a great number of mutually joyous experiences was when I was fortunate enough to share with HALE the development of the Democratic Party platform in 1968.

Under the most impossible of circumstances, as we recall the difficulties faced the Democratic Party with reference to the war in Vietnam and a great many other matters at that time, HALE, with enormous skill, judgment, and thoughtfulness, managed to shepherd our convention through to a series of decisions that at least kept our party essentially intact.

This was truly HALE's trademark. He could take a difficult situation, with people of apparently impossibly divergent points of view, and somehow find a path to reconcile them and find common ground for those divergent views.

One other experience highlights HALE BOGGS' compassion and concern for the dispossessed in our society. When the freeze on the number of children who would be helped under Federal programs was about to go into effect, I talked with HALE about this terrible situation. HALE, too, was opposed to the freeze, which would deny assistance to hundreds of thousands of kids.

HALE found a way. He, to quote the New York Times, "quickly found the authority to appoint a conference committee to discuss with the Senate the chicory roots bill and its welfare rider."

HALE not only found a way but he led the fight to repeal the welfare freeze. Hundreds of thousands of children who may never know his name, live fuller, more decent lives because this decent human being, HALE BOGGS, cared.

Mr. Speaker, we are here to salute HALE, and we are doing that in the course of this special order, but as for my wife Sala and myself, I more particularly would like to salute the children and the grandchildren of HALE and Lindy who are fortunate enough to carry this man's great name. Last, but certainly not least, I should like to say that the pain, the gap in all our day-to-day lives caused by missing HALE has been filled magnificently by the fortuitous event that his marvelous wife Lindy is now serving as our colleague representing the district formerly represented by HALE BOGGS.

Mr. McFALL. Mr. Speaker, the best tribute to HALE BOGGS is his own enduring legacy to this House—the examples he left us of high principle and duty, of love for his country and for the House as an institution, of a high sense of responsibility to the people and commitment to his party.

I like to think of HALE at his best—which meant when he was in a tight spot, dealing with a difficult situation—and all of you recall particularly his superb performance at the 1968 Democratic National Convention.

HALE came to the aid of his party at a time when the country was torn by violence and the party was split into factions fighting bitterly among themselves. More than anyone else. HALE BOGGS held that cataclysmic convention together in the face of forces from without and within that threatened to tear it apart.

During all the turmoil and controversy, through the heated debate on an issue that had split the Nation, HALE BOGGS remained as fair and impartial as ever, as firmly in control. I am sure you remember, Mr. Speaker, the invaluable support and assistance that HALE BOGGS contributed during your service as convention chairman, during your conduct of convention business.

HALE gave so much of himself for the good of his party—was so unstinting and selfless—that it almost cost him his career.

He went back to Louisiana to face one of his toughest campaigns ever, and he won reelection by one of his closest margins—some 3,000 votes.

I remember that we were back in Washington several days after the election. I went down to the Whip's office—the office I now occupy in the Capitol—to see HALE. He was still bone weary, and he had fallen asleep on his couch. When he sat up to talk to me, I could see the weariness still in his face. But his good humor was still there.

I remarked that the convention coming so late and his election right on the heels of it must have been a killing pace—just a savage ordeal for him. He nodded and smiled and the toil of the last few months showed in his face.

"I did everything but write out the platform draft by hand," he said to me with that great big grin.

The whole thing had started when President Johnson asked him to serve as platform committee chairman. HALE knew then that he would have to preside over the Vietnam debate, but I do not think any of us fully realized how explosive that issue really was going to be.

The President had been incensed by newspaper accounts that he was going to dictate the Democratic platform from the White House. So the President made sure that HALE had absolute independence—the President directed that there should be no involvement by any administration official. That gave HALE a free hand all right, but it also meant that a valuable source of information and resources was closed off to him.

He was genuinely on his own. Singlehandedly, he picked a staff and set up the committee organization. He presided at the pre-convention hearings, oversaw the drafting sessions, and was always there—usually in the middle—when the hot issues came up.

That was typical of the spirit of HALE BOGGS—his high principles and determination—the leadership qualities that this House had come to respect him for.

On his 57th birthday, as he was embarking upon his new duties as majority leader, HALE received a fond letter from an old friend.

"HALE," the friend wrote, "great new vistas, new challenges, new opportunities beckon. The gates of history now are wide open to you."

It is the Nation's loss that we have been denied the rich maturity of HALE BOGGS' career of public service.

HALE BOGGS so gave of himself to this House and to the people, that his three decades of service, distinction, and achievement would have made an outstanding life's work for any man.

He was a member of the House for 18 years.

For 21 years he was a member of the Committee on Ways and Means, rising to the second-ranking position, and resigning only when he assumed the burdens of majority leader.

He advocated a vigorous and liberalized trade policy and was instrumental in securing enactment of the far-reaching and enlightened Trade Expansion Act of 1962.

He pioneered in the field of narcotics rehabilitation, giving his name to the Boggs-Daniels Narcotics Act of 1956, which established the first Federal program for the rehabilitation of drug addicts.

He was chairman of the Special Committee on Highway Financing which in 1955 recommended the establishment of the highway trust fund.

He wrote the 1968 National Flood Insurance Act.

He fought for the great social and humanitarian efforts of the last decade, including urban affairs legislation, the antipoverty programs, education, housing, medicare, and social security improvements.

With courage he committed the full weight of his prestige to the causes of social justice. He risked his political career to vote for the Voting Rights Act of 1965, and the Fair Housing Act of 1968.

Announcing his historic stand, HALE said:

I shall support this (voting rights) bill because I believe the fundamental right to vote must be a part of this great experiment in human progress under freedom which is America.

Through the tumultuous years, he retained the support and respect of his constituency in Louisiana and his colleagues in this House. When he reached the summit of his power, he had proved himself genuinely a national leader.

Our late colleague, HALE BOGGS, was supremely dedicated to this Nation and to this House of Representatives. He had trained and committed himself to no other goal than service in this House.

When he was 14 years old, he was already reading Blackstone. And when people asked: "What do you propose to do?" HALE BOGGS replied with youthful candor:

I propose to be a lawyer and a Member of Congress.

Reflecting later, he commented:

I entered Tulane University with a scholarship and thirty-five dollars.

Those were depression years, and HALE BOGGS supported himself digging ditches and selling chewing gum. He found time to become a campus correspondent for a New Orleans newspaper and one year he served as editor of the student paper, the *Hullaballo*.

One of his colleagues on the *Hullaballo* was Corinne "Lindy" Claiborne, who became his wife in 1938, shortly after he had entered the practice of law.

His beloved Lindy was more than a gracious homemaker and hostess. Throughout her husband's career in public service, Lindy was HALE BOGGS' closest adviser and assistant. She guided the handling of district matters and took charge of his campaigns. In her own right, Lindy Boggs is an expert on public affairs and always has been a respected friend of this House.

Now, her presence here is appropriate recognition from her constituency in Louisiana for her own dedicated service. We welcome her as a knowledgeable and highly competent colleague.

HALE BOGGS believed that a Congressman is—in his words—"about the highest calling a man can have."

He once observed:

The only way you serve in the House is by election. One can become governor by the death of a governor. Senators can be appointed by governors. A Vice President can succeed through the death of a President. The only way you can get to be a Congressman is by election.

"To me," HALE BOGGS declared, "it is a very noble thing to represent the people."

That was the spirit that suffused the entire career of HALE BOGGS—from the time he was a young reform leader of the People's League in New Orleans in 1939. The league's work led to the election of two reform candidates in 1940: Gov. Sam Jones and a young Congressman named HALE BOGGS.

At 26, HALE was the youngest Member of Congress when he came to Washington in 1941. Defeated by a machine candidate in 1942, HALE served 2 years in the Naval Reserve during World War II.

In 1946 he turned again to civilian public service and won back his seat in the House. This time it was for good.

Our late Speaker, Sam Rayburn, had taken a personal interest in HALE's career since 1940-41 when the newly elected Congressman supported President Roosevelt on the draft and lend-lease. "Mr. Sam was like a father to me," HALE often said.

In 1955, the Speaker created the post of deputy whip for HALE in recognition of his service and potential for high leadership in this House. HALE became the majority whip in 1962 after the passing of Speaker Rayburn.

HALE sought the majority leader's position when it became vacant in 1971. He was challenged but he fought to win that post with sheer determination and will.

He told an interviewer:

I spent my whole life drilling myself for leadership. I was Deputy Whip seven years, Majority Whip for nine years. . . . So if I hadn't run, particularly with a lot of people saying I couldn't win and I was terrible—if I had got up and walked away from it, I just would have had no faith in myself.

HALE BOGGS gave us positive leadership and pragmatic direction, with an enlightened regard for the functions of this House and the responsibilities of the Congress.

He once commented:

I don't envision my function as being the loyal opposition, my function is to move the legislative programs ahead, to cooperate with the President, to disagree with him when I think he's wrong. Opposition for opposition's sake is obstructionism, and we are not obstructionists.

In this Chamber, he made his presence felt. A colleague observed in 1962:

When HALE takes the floor, there's always order in the House.

His intellect and abilities were readily recognized by Presidents, who sought his service and counsel. HALE BOGGS' stature and integrity impelled President Lyndon Johnson to appoint him in 1964 to the Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy. President Johnson sought his service again in 1968 and appointed him to the Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence.

No single portrait could ever capture fully the dimensions of HALE BOGGS.

Daily he labored for the public good. At home, he was a gracious host and devoted family man, who relaxed tending his vegetable garden. He was a devout member of his faith. He was respected by his constituents and found joy in being among his people, when campaigning or during his frequent visits to his district.

HALE BOGGS' faith in this Nation, his people, and our way of governing ourselves never faltered and it was his dedication to principle which many times brought him into controversy.

HALE BOGGS set example and followed example. He was known, as was the late Mr. Sam, as a man who would befriend young Members of this House. "I found myself, as majority leader," he said, "spending more and more time with younger Members of Congress. I spend a lot of time with them, talking to them, listening to them, keeping them interested. This is important, it is vital to the maintenance of our democratic process. It is a sense of continuity, one generation to another."

HALE BOGGS was known to travel to nearly any place at any time when requested by a fellow Member. So it was that during his last campaign, he traveled to Alaska to give his personal help to young Nick Begich, who was seeking his second term in the House.

The credo of HALE BOGGS was best expressed in one of his own comments:

If we can set an example to the rest of the world of a country that is really a democratic country, that really recognizes the rights of all citizens regardless of what their background might be, of what their racial connections might be, if we can give opportunity to our people, commensurate with their skills and training, then the United States will continue to be, in my judgment, the great force in the world.

I learned—we all learned—from HALE BOGGS as we shared with him the work of this House. I miss his presence and am enriched for having known HALE BOGGS as a close colleague and warm friend.

Mr. DENNIS. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to add a brief word in respect to the memory of HALE BOGGS. As a relatively junior Member of this body, and a member of the opposite political party, I never had the opportunity to know HALE BOGGS as well as many of the other Members did, and I frequently disagreed with him, but I knew him well enough to know that I liked him, and

that I would like to have known him better. He was a gentleman who was always courteous, always friendly, and always helpful, and I consider it a privilege to have served here in the House with him.

Mr. BUCHANAN. Mr. Speaker, it is no exaggeration to say that the tragedy which befell our lovely colleague, the gentlewoman from Louisiana, Lindy Boggs, last fall was a tragedy which befell us all. HALE BOGGS was a man who understood this House, and served it well. He loved the House, and knew its importance to our whole system of government, to our very way of government of the people, by the people, and for the people.

It seems to me that when he died, something of this House died with him, and a part of the very chemistry of the House was forever lost.

I am a Protestant Christian, and am not very certain about Catholic theology, and mean no disrespect when I suggest that it is good Protestant theology that all men are sinners, and certainly all the world would agree that all politicians are sinners. It is, however, also good Protestant theology, and I think Catholic theology as well, that a man who has made a certain commitment to his God can also become a saint, sanctified and set apart for God's use and service.

So as I understand it, those of us who are Christians are supposed to be sinner-saints, and while I would not even give instructions to the leadership of the House, much less the Holy Trinity, it would not be out of order if the powers that be in Heaven should appoint HALE BOGGS as a patron sinner-saint for all of us who comprise the body politic.

He loved politics, and he loved those of us who practiced it. He understood in heart and conscience what it is we here are about in attempting with all our weaknesses and limitations to serve our country and to serve the people.

It was my privilege to attend the funeral service, the memorial service, at St. Louis' Cathedral. It was one of the most inspiring experiences that I have ever had.

It seems to me, Mr. Speaker, there rang out from that service the truth about our beloved, departed leader, that here is a man who loved his God, his family, his country, and the people it was his privilege to represent, and who served them well. Perhaps, for a man who gave most of his life to the art and the science of politics, this is the best eulogy of all.

HALE BOGGS has left to those of us who worked with him the rich legacy of many memories of his warmth, his vigor, and his devotion to our country. He has also left us one thing more, a courageous lady who is demonstrating herself to be an able and dedicated legislator in her own right—a credit to the Congress and to the man whom we honor today.

Mr. HOLIFIELD. Mr. Speaker, when I came to Congress in January 1943, HALE BOGGS had just finished his first term in Congress. He served in the Naval Reserve and the U.S. maritime service from November 1943 until January 1946.

He was elected to Congress for the second time and was sworn in on January 3, 1947.

We served together for 22 years, until his untimely and tragic death in the fall of 1972.

HALE was a capable legislator. He had an abundance of courage and I am sure that many of his humanitarian votes for human programs and human rights were far more liberal than a cautious or timid Congressman would have made. HALE believed in the great issues advanced by Presidents Roosevelt, Truman, Kennedy, and Johnson under whom he served. He was a leader among his colleagues and was recognized by them in their selection as the Democratic Party whip in the 87th Congress. He was again honored by his colleagues in January 1971 when he was elected as the Democratic majority leader. He was serving in this office when his tragic death occurred.

HALE was a warmhearted friend of the Members. He never refused to help a Member. It made little difference what the request might have been, HALE tried to help. He made many speeches for the Members during their campaigns for reelection. He was a powerful speaker, an orator who needed no written script. Whether as an advocate of legislation or as an advocate of the principles of the Democratic Party and the party's candidates, HALE was superb in his logic and clear in the points of his arguments. His last trip in behalf of the reelection of one of his friends and colleagues occurred on October 16, 1972, on a plane flight with Congressman Nick Begich of Alaska. The plane disappeared on a trip from Anchorage to Juneau. It was a small plane and apparently ran into bad weather. Although an extended search was made for many weeks by Air Force and Naval planes and craft, all efforts failed to find the plane and its occupants.

The State of Louisiana lost an experienced and dedicated public servant when they lost HALE BOGGS.

Our Nation lost a great American statesman, a man who was the confidant and counselor to three great American Presidents.

In closing my brief remarks, I wish to express my personal sorrow in the loss of HALE BOGGS. He and his wife Lindy, who is now a Member of the House, have done so much for their many friends in their church and their party, that we cannot list their acts of service, love, and generosity. We can, however, remember as long as memory lasts, their actions and their dedication to the best interests of our Nation.

Mr. KAZEN. Mr. Speaker, it has been said that one of the greatest of human qualities is to be concerned about one's fellow man. This was one of the great strengths of HALE BOGGS. He was concerned.

We all know that his last mission was one of concern. As he did for many of us, he traveled many miles, gave many hours for the final effort to help a dynamic young Democratic Member, Nick Begich, seek reelection to this House. HALE BOGGS was concerned for Nick Begich, but he was also concerned for the people of Alaska. He believed, with all the strength of his fine mind, that a Democratic Congressman in Alaska would best serve the people of that State.

I had the high honor and great pleasure of sharing a platform with HALE BOGGS just 1 week before he made that trip to Alaska. In San Antonio, we gathered for a Democratic unity program, and there was no more logical choice for principal speaker than the distinguished majority leader from our neighbor State of Louisiana. HALE BOGGS accepted our invitation and that giant of a man, towering in mind as well as stature, brought his warm friendship, his hearty laughter, his splendid appeals to reason, to help our Texas Democrats.

I tried that day, as did others, to thank HALE BOGGS for his participation. All of you must know his response—a modest chuckle, a slap on the shoulders, and an expression of thanks that we had invited him. He was sincerely grateful that he had been called to help. He appreciated our knowing that he was concerned.

For good reason, HALE BOGGS had a host of friends in this body, on both sides of the aisle. He had been here many years, winning election 14 times. A few months after he had earned his law degree, he was first elected in 1937, to be the youngest Member of the 77th Congress.

He left this House for military service in World War II, but he came back in the 80th Congress and everyone thereafter until he was lost in Alaska last fall.

During his years of legislative service, he had splendid help from his lovely and gracious wife. Lindy Boggs was always his companion and his counselor who campaigned steadfastly with him, knew the people and the issues just as he did. For this we are grateful, for when the people of Louisiana's Second District needed a successor, they wisely chose Mrs. Boggs. We know that she will make a distinguished record in her own right.

Mrs. Boggs and the children sustained the greatest personal loss, of course, but each of us shares their burden. We, like them, have been sustained by memories of HALE BOGGS' strength, his leadership, his genial friendship. We can do no more to honor his memory than to share and carry on his great ability to be concerned for his fellow men.

Mr. MATSUNAGA. Mr. Speaker, it is with a mixed sense of deep sorrow and great pride that I rise to join my colleagues in paying tribute to the memory of HALE BOGGS—sorrow over the loss of a dear friend, and pride in having had such a friend.

Mr. Speaker, there is so much to be said and remembered about HALE BOGGS that no one, no matter how eloquent, can adequately express a fitting tribute. Each of us will no doubt remember him, each in his own special way.

I like to think of HALE BOGGS as one who possessed the qualities of leadership as if so endowed by nature. Here was a man who could walk with kings, yet not lose the common touch. Having attained success and risen to heights reserved only for the few, he never forgot those in need and never refused those who sought his help. In fact, it was this quality of his character which cost him his life, for it was in response to a call for assistance from a colleague that he took his last fateful airplane ride.

Mr. Speaker, it was my great privilege to second the nomination of HALE BOGGS for majority leader of this august House. At that time I reminded my Democratic colleagues that HALE BOGGS was needed as our leader at that point in our history, because he knew the North and understood the South as no one else did; that he was the one leader who could keep the diverse elements of the party together. In his relatively short period as our leader, HALE BOGGS proved time and

again that he indeed knew the thinking of the North and understood the feelings of the South, as he forged an effective majority to push needed legislation for the good of this Nation, HALE BOGGS demonstrated a deep and rare understanding of men and issues—understanding so needed and so lacking in this world torn with strife.

Though stricken with sorrow upon the loss of a great leader and a dear friend, I am truly delighted that the one who knew him best and understood him most, his constant companion Lindy Boggs, has succeeded HALE in representing the Second Congressional District of the State of Louisiana, for by her presence the spirit of HALE BOGGS will continue to dwell in this House, to guide us and to inspire us to do that which is right.

Mr. MONTGOMERY. Mr. Speaker, I would like to commend my chairman, Eddie Hébert and the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. Breaux) for taking this time today so that we might pay tribute and honor to a distinguished colleague who was taken from us at his prime. The two important points to be remembered concerning the tragic and untimely death of HALE BOGGS is the fact that he was working on behalf of a friend and colleague at the time and knowing the former majority leader as I did, I do not think he would have wanted it any other way.

As we all know, when a new Member comes to Congress he forms many friendships. I always felt that my friendship with HALE BOGGS was more genuine and sincere than is usually the case and was the type of friendship that would always endure no matter how diverse our opinions might have been on various political issues.

HALE was a man of compassion, talent, and energy. The compassion he had for his fellow man was a hallmark of his character. The talents he exhibited in the legislative area were a hallmark of his abilities as a public servant. The untiring energy he had to do a job and do it right was a hallmark of his devotion to duty.

My close feelings for HALE BOGGS stem from the fact that he was always willing to listen and be of assistance whenever I might have a problem. I had tried very hard to get on a certain committee, with HALE's help I made it. Of course, I valued highly his advice and counsel at these times and appreciated very much the concern he showed for me. I will always appreciate the fact that the former majority leader gave me the opportunity to be on his team and serve as a zone whip.

Mr. Speaker, I think that the greatest tribute to the memory and long service of HALE BOGGS is the fact that the voters of Louisiana's Second Congressional District chose his charming and capable wife Lindy to succeed him. She, more than anyone else, knew of HALE's greatest legislative interests and she more than anyone else will be able to carry on the fine tradition of service of HALE BOGGS.

Mr. BOLAND. Mr. Speaker, I join in this tribute that the House of Representatives pays today to the memory of a truly great American, our former colleague, the Honorable T. HALE BOGGS.

It is difficult to add to the magnificent, brilliant, moving, and eloquent testimonials on the life and times of HALE BOGGS.

It is good that former Speaker John McCormack lends his personal presence to this occasion.

It is also so good, Mr. Speaker, that HALE's loving and devoted wife, Lindy, sits on the floor of this great Hall of the House of Representatives today as her husband's successor, to carry on the work and attain the great goals to which HALE was dedicated.

The legislative record that HALE BOGGS etched in the history of this Republic and of this House is there for all to see. The fabric of his accomplishments is interwoven with his deep concern for people and their problems—for the young and the elderly—for the disadvantaged and the poor—for the uneducated and the educated—for people of all races, creeds, and beliefs—for all sections of this great and good land. HALE BOGGS' record in this House will forever stand as a monument to the people and the land he loved so much and for whom he did so much.

This Chamber will echo for years to come his resonant, powerful, persuasive voice his brilliant debates in behalf of his country, his State, his district, and the Democratic Party.

So, Mr. Speaker, it is good that this House pauses today to pay honor to one of the finest men, one of the most effective Members ever to have served here.

HALE BOGGS' splendid remarkable family—Lindy, Tommy, Barbara, Cokie, and all the grandchildren can read and reread this record—the tributes at the magnificent memorial service at St. Louis Cathedral in New Orleans—the tide of editorial tributes that flowed from his beloved Louisiana, New Orleans, and all sections of this land—the heartfelt sympathy of unnumbered, countless thousands—

yes, Mr. Speaker, they can read and reread these tributes and know that beyond his family others recognized what they understood so well, that here, indeed, was a great and good man.

Mr. HUNGATE. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join my colleagues in paying tribute to a great leader of this House, HALE BOGGS.

I thought it most appropriate that our colleague from Alabama referred to him as a patron saint in the field of politicians. I am reminded that some of the greatest stories I have ever heard, always with morals to them, were told by HALE BOGGS.

I can remember some speaking out, as we all gathered—and we still gather, I think—in the cloakrooms, when sometimes we seem to begrudge our lot, saying how hard we work, how our constituents do not really understand us and how lobbyists besiege us and, if we worked this hard in private business, how we would be wealthy men. When we accomplish great work the people cannot understand what we have done. When we get into campaigns, an opponent distorts our record.

Finally, it was said, “Why in the world? Why in the world do it?” And HALE would say, “It is that XYZ that thinks he can take it away from you.”

I think that says a lot for our attitudes, as to why we stay in this game.

I should like to quote from a great American. This was not written yesterday, although it could have been. This was in the Record for April 22, 1971:

Our apathy in this Congress, our silence in this House, our very fear of speaking out in other forums has watered the roots and hastened the growth of a vine of tyranny which is ensnaring that Constitution and Bill of Rights which we are sworn to defend and uphold.

Almost 200 years ago, soon after the birth of the Republic, Thomas Jefferson wrote that—

The natural progress of things is for liberty to yield and government to gain ground.

Over the years since the mid century, we have seen that wisdom fulfilled in our midst.

While America's sons have faithfully manned the watchtowers of freedom around the globe, the liberty of our own lives has been yielding steadily before the power, prerogatives, and privileges of government.

I point no fingers and place no blame elsewhere.

What has occurred could not have occurred without our consent and complicity here on Capitol Hill.

Congress by Congress, session by session, vote by vote, we have been surrendering our duty of oversight over those bureaus, agencies, and organizations within the Federal Establishment which are most sensitively involved with the lives and liberties of the people.

The postwar years do not make a proud procession.

Over this period, we have authorized and permitted the bureaus and agencies to assume powers that belong to Congress.

We have established the rule of the dossier.

We have conferred respectability upon the informer.

We have sanctioned the use of bribes and payments to citizens to spy upon citizens.

We have consented to the accused being denied the right to confront his accuser.

It goes on. Members can read the Record for April 22, 1971.

As he concludes:

Let me say that our liberties have yielded too much. We must know and we must be able to assure the American people that we do know what the powers of Government are being used for and how they are being used and by whom they are being used.

Let me conclude with one of the most favorite stories of mine, which Mr. Boggs used to tell, which fits the occasion.

He told of two identical twins, beautiful girls, who lived in a town. Finally the local barber went with one of the girls, and eventually he got married to her. They set up housekeeping and things went along fine for some time. After awhile the beautiful sister came to live with them, and things went along fine for a few months. Then somebody stopped in at the barbershop, and said, "Charley, we just wonder about one thing. How do you tell them apart?"

"Why," he says "shucks, I don't try to tell them about it. I feel it's their responsibility!"

Well, Mr. Speaker, Mr. Boggs knew his responsibility, and he met his responsibility, and if we will meet our responsibility to the Constitution and the separation of powers about which he spoke here, we say with the jazz musicians of New Orleans, "HALE lives."

Mr. McKAY. Mr. Speaker, I thank the gentleman from Louisiana for giving me this opportunity to express my feelings for the late HALE BOGGS from Louisiana. I chose this time for several reasons, one being that I had the honor, I suppose a dubious one, of being one of the last to see Mr. Boggs before his fateful trip to Alaska, in which

I lost two good friends, and the country lost two most honorable and distinguished public servants.

As a freshman in the 92d Congress, I sought the counsel and friendship of those who might advise me as to which committee I might be of greatest benefit to my constituents and to my country. My quest led me to HALE BOGGS, who was then a ranking member of the "Committee of Committees." In those hectic days of organization and reorganization, or adjustments for the 92d Congress, HALE BOGGS found time to talk to me and give counsel any time I chose to call him. For this I am most grateful. My admiration, however, stems from more than this.

I also knew HALE BOGGS for his integrity and honesty. One experience which leaves an indelible impression occurred when HALE telephoned me to ask for my support in his quest for the position of majority leader. At that time, I said:

HALE, I cannot do that, as I have promised my support to someone else, a man who is a friend of the family and a representative from the West.

HALE said:

I thought the situation might be such. But I appreciate your statement of honesty, and if you find that you can do so, I would appreciate your support.

This incident occurred before committee assignments had been made, and I am sure that Mr. Boggs could have been influential in preventing my appointment to the Appropriations Committee. However, he chose not to do so. I would be guilty of ingratitude if I chose to ignore his kindness and counsel.

My association with him was brief, lasting only one session. But I did have the honor of conversing with him on various occasions. He offered advice on many problems which face Members of Congress, including matters of campaigning for reelection. He promised me that, as soon as he returned from Alaska, he would give me assistance in my campaign, if I wished him to do so.

On his trip to Alaska, I rode in the airplane with him until we reached Denver, at which time we separated to reach our respective destinations. I remember that HALE was tired, then. The pressures of winding up Congress, trying to resolve differences, and giving assistance to those who needed his help had strained his physical capacities. But he said at that time:

The work must go on. I don't relish this long flight to Alaska, and my schedule will be tedious. But what do you do when your country calls? You go, don't you.

With the broad smile of farewell, he left me to begin his flight to Alaska. Moments such as that are the ones I believe to be most typical of HALE BOGGS.

I believe that Heaven is an extension of a happy family life. I know that HALE had a happy family life, and I trust that he will be reunited with his family one day.

In his life and accomplishments, HALE BOGGS had left a challenge for those who are to carry on in his place. I extend to his lovely wife and family my deepest sympathies and best wishes.

Mr. SARBANES. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank the distinguished chairman of the Armed Services Committee and the dean of the Louisiana delegation for the opportunity to join in this tribute to the memory of one of our Nation's finest political leaders, HALE BOGGS. Mr. Speaker, it was my privilege to come to the House of Representatives in that Congress in which HALE BOGGS became the majority leader. It was my great fortune to serve under his dedicated leadership and to experience his warmth and his kindness and to benefit from his understanding and his wisdom.

Mr. Speaker, the courage and integrity that HALE BOGGS brought to public service is an example that will stand as a constant guide to all who aspire to serve the Nation. The advice that he gave us to do always what we believed to be right is a lesson that will remain with us all.

Mr. Speaker, HALE and Lindy Boggs showed time and time again a concern for those of us who were freshmen Members, Members who had just come to the House, which was invaluable in enabling us to adjust to our new responsibilities. It was in fact, this concern which led him to take the journey on which he met his tragic and untimely death. Every time we sought help HALE and Lindy were there to give it.

We are fortunate now to have Lindy with us as a distinguished colleague. We are fortunate to have had the opportunity to serve with HALE and to see him stand as a tower of strength in the well of this House, calling forth the decency and the goodness of this

Nation in a way that none of us shall ever forget. The country is diminished by his loss. The history of America has been immeasurably enriched by his contributions.

Mr. BINGHAM. Mr. Speaker, in a brief moment I would just like to add to the many eloquent comments that have been made this afternoon one or two footnotes of a personal nature.

As did others, I, too, felt the kindness of HALE BOGGS when I was a new Member, and I deeply appreciated his cordial helpfulness. I enjoyed very much, as did many Members, the wonderful hospitality that he and Lindy extended to us on many occasions. I was well aware, too, of the fact that he was engaged in a typical errand of helpfulness at the time of his tragic death.

But, Mr. Speaker, the characteristic I would like to stress most in this brief moment of tribute is the courage that HALE BOGGS exhibited on so many occasions. Time and again, he voted his conscience on issues which I know were difficult for him in his district. I am thinking, for example, of his support for the great Voting Rights Act of 1965. This was the mark of a great Member of Congress, and a great American. We shall all miss him terribly for a long time to come.

But there is a silver lining to the cloud: I would like to join in expressing our warm welcome for Lindy Boggs and the pleasure we feel that she is here with us as a splendid successor for her remarkable husband.

Mr. PERKINS. Mr. Speaker, it is always a sad occasion to rise in the House and pay tribute to a colleague whose service to his country has ended in death.

HALE BOGGS was more than a colleague. He was a great friend and a great leader. And he was a Congressman for all seasons.

Although he had only 4 years of service to his credit when I arrived in the House in 1949, he was already recognized as a man to be reckoned with.

Over the years, as our friendship grew and our associations multiplied, I came to regard this tall son of Louisiana as one of the outstanding legislators of this generation.

A hard worker, a diligent seeker after right, HALE was never one to shirk his duty to his country. And he was never one to refuse a call

for help from a friend. It is typical of the man that he was responding to such a call when the end came.

I hope, Mr. Speaker, that the able historians of the country will soon begin to examine, in perspective, the role of HALE BOGGS in the major legislative accomplishments of the last two decades. That role will be found to be a major one.

We all miss HALE BOGGS in this Chamber. But we are fortunate indeed to have the same spirit, the same stanch qualities that he had, embodied here today in a worthy successor: Lindy Boggs.

HALE was a great American, and we are all privileged to have served with him.

Mr. FLOOD. Mr. Speaker, it is the nature of things that man is but a frail object upon this earth, destined to begin the journey toward death from the moment of birth. Of this we are all so imperfectly aware and for this reason, each man's death diminishes us.

But the passing of my dear friend HALE BOGGS is an especially tragic loss to his family, to his many friends and constituents at home, to this body which relied so heavily on his astute leadership, and to the Nation at large which lost a dedicated and knowledgeable public servant. He was a tribute to his Nation, a vibrant force in the Congress where he served, a great leader in the House and often the source of inspiration to his colleagues.

The tears we shed will never wash away the grief of our loss. HALE BOGGS' passing was a bit more sorrowful for me, Mr. Speaker, since he was more than a colleague. He was a dear friend, a trusted companion, and a man whose close friendship I beheld.

He was a complex man whose life was filled with the contrasts and demeanor of a leader. He was a man with great love for his family and his friends who raised his voice only in defense of those high principles we cherish as Americans. He was a man from the South, yet he knew no region. He was a naval officer in the Second World War, yet he was a man of peace. He was a true intellectual, yet he could not bear intellectual promposity nor snobbery in himself or others. He was proud to call himself a Democrat, yet was well known for his desire to serve either party in the fight for a just cause. Respectful of the traditions of the past, he was nevertheless alive to the calls of the future.

There is really no way by which this body, this Nation, or the American people can ever pay the great debt that we owe to HALE BOGGS. There is no way that he could ever be replaced fully here. He leaves a deep void in this body by his passing. Surely, there is no way by which I, or others, fervent and touched as we are by sorrow and pride in his accomplishments, could ever pay adequate tribute to the enduring work and contributions of this great American, one of the greatest we have known. We will always remember him with appreciation and fondness.

In the councils of his party he was a strong, bold, and dedicated leader. So to in the councils of his country and his colleagues. Scan the furthest horizons of America and you will hardly find a place which does not bear the imprint of HALE BOGGS. And scan the Congress and most of this Nation and you will find hands which shall never forget clasping the hand of HALE BOGGS, and ears which shall never lose the sound of his warm voice, and hearts in which his generous and brave spirit always will remain. So HALE BOGGS, although he is gone from us, still lives and will long live.

In my close friendship with HALE BOGGS I knew well how proud he was of his Irish ancestry, an ancestry we happily shared. I think it is therefore fitting and proper for me to close with these few lines from the bard as they appear in Gaelic:

Oíche nhaith a phrionnsa dhil agus go raivh na snua aingeal ag do chuideachtain chun suain.—(Good night sweet prince and may flights of angels beckon thee to thy rest.)

Mr. STRATTON. Mr. Speaker, I am proud to join with the distinguished dean of the Louisiana delegation and the chairman of my own Armed Services Committee, Mr. Hébert, in paying a most well-deserved tribute to our late friend and majority leader, HALE BOGGS. Indeed because of the unique circumstances surrounding HALE BOGGS' disappearance over Alaska last October while on a flight with another former colleague, Nick Begich, we have had to delay our tributes for a very great length of time. Nevertheless HALE BOGGS was such a vital person, so much a real personal friend of every Member of this House, that even the passage of time has not dimmed his presence nor the impact of his personality on our minds and our hearts.

HALE BOGGS' departure from this Chamber last fall, Mr. Speaker, left a void more gaping and pronounced than that created by the loss

of almost any other Member that I can recall in my 15 years in this body. His grace, his charm, his wit, his soft, courtly southern manner and Louisiana accent—oddly enough, not so much unlike a Brooklyn accent on occasion—his intelligence, his easy, quiet reasonableness, his persuasiveness with his colleagues, his colorful, forceful, and always eloquent speeches on vital legislative issues delivered from the well of the House—we miss all of these today, Mr. Speaker, and who among us would not admit that, for all our talk of there being no indispensable man, the loss of HALE BOGGS as House majority leader has made this Chamber a poorer and less effective place today than when he walked among us and encouraged and inspired us with the warmth and enthusiasm of his own dynamic and democratic spirit? Sure, we are carrying on, as carry on we must; but things are not the same and one can feel it in the air from day to day.

At least part of the reason for this is that HALE BOGGS was a man of parts, a strong man, a man of courage, a man of understanding. He was, as has often been pointed out, a national Democrat, which means simply that he had that unique capability of seeing issues from the standpoint of the country, not just from the standpoint of his own district or State or region.

I got him into trouble politically on more than one occasion, especially in 1968 when he was almost defeated. But it gave him a unique capacity for leadership in a body representing all 50 States. And it also made him a man that people inevitably turned to for help and guidance in times of national crisis. HALE was selected a member of the Warren Commission investigating the mysterious circumstances surrounding the death of President Kennedy; and he was also chosen as a member of the Commission on Crime and Violence set up following the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King. He was a man that people could trust to render a verdict on the basis of all the evidence. In short, he was a man the public had confidence in, something we begin to realize again these days is one of the most precious, and at the same time most elusive, qualities in our national life.

One area where we especially miss HALE BOGGS' leadership today, Mr. Speaker, is in America's handling of its international commitments. HALE BOGGS grew up like so many of us in the days before World War II. He understood the need for American leadership in

building a world at peace; and he also knew that such an accomplishment demanded strength and sometimes even difficult and unpopular decisions on America's part. HALE BOGGS was a vigorous Democrat, but he never pushed partisan advantage at the expense of country. He backed President Nixon in the search for peace in Southeast Asia, just as he had backed President Johnson and President Kennedy. Indeed to HALE BOGGS goes a very substantial measure of the credit for insuring that throughout the whole long and tragic Vietnam war the House of Representatives backed a national, bipartisan foreign and military policy.

One of the cruel ironies of history was that HALE BOGGS did not like to see that long and difficult struggle finally brought to an end under the kind of honorable conditions for which he so often fought in the well of this House. And I am sure that my chairman, Eddie Hébert, would agree with me that it is most unfortunate that we do not have HALE BOGGS with us today in the House as we face the very difficult decisions of trying to win the time and preserve the necessary political clout that are needed to make that complex and fragile Vietnam cease-fire fully effective throughout all Indochina, so that at long last, we can indeed bring an end to killing and bloodshed in that troubled corner of the world.

Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was a personal friend of mine. I knew him first in 1941 when he came here as a very young freshman Congressman and I was a new congressional secretary. I renewed that acquaintance when I came back here to this House on my own some 18 years later. I was an assistant whip when he was the Majority Whip. I was one of his earliest supporters for leader. He and his gracious and lovely wife Lindy, who now serves so ably and effectively in HALE's place, have long been friends of my wife Joan and myself. Both of them came up to Albany last year to add that touch of glamor and excitement which the Boggs always gave to any occasion for my 1972 campaign fund-raising dinner. Needless to say it was an overwhelming success, thanks mostly to Lindy and HALE. And HALE was unselfishly in the process of doing the same thing for Nick Begich last October when he was so abruptly taken from us.

We shall always miss HALE BOGGS, and we shall always be grateful for having known him—another example of that unique quality that Jack Kennedy so much admired and so often referred to—grace under pressure.

In the words of Laurence Binyon:

He shall grow not old
As we that are left grow old,
Age will not weary him
Nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun
And in the morning
We will remember him.

Mr. BEVILL. Mr. Speaker, it is with a deep feeling of sorrow that I rise today to join my colleagues in paying tribute to the memory of our former majority leader, Congressman HALE BOGGS.

His death has removed from this Chamber one of the most knowledgeable and effective Representatives I have known. He was a courageous, forward-thinking man, who always placed principle above politics, and who would take on any task if he felt it would make our Nation a better place to live.

Congressman Boggs' supporters in the Congress were many. And, he also had his opponents. I believe the mere fact that he often faced severe opposition is proof of his ability to function as a tough effective lawmaker. But, above all, HALE BOGGS was an honorable and good man.

HALE BOGGS was born in Long Beach, Miss. His family moved to Jefferson Parish, La., just west of New Orleans.

He studied journalism and law at Tulane University. He graduated Phi Beta Kappa in 1937 while working on the copy desk of the New Orleans States.

His national political debut came with his election to Congress in 1940. Through hard work here in the U.S. House of Representatives and dedicated service to his constituents, he worked his way up the leadership ladder to majority leader.

It was my good fortune to know him and serve with him here for a few short years. He had a great capacity for friendship and good humor. HALE BOGGS was a distinguished Member of this body and will be sorely missed.

Mr. Speaker, it is our good fortune to have his lovely widow, Lindy, who was a successful candidate to fill his seat now serving here in the House.

To Mrs. Boggs and her family, I would say that the many accomplishments HALE left behind will hopefully now serve as a firm foundation for those who take up his uncompleted work. And while I know you miss him deeply, I am sure that you are also grateful for the outstanding achievements and record of excellence he gave to his fellow man.

Mr. TAYLOR of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, with a feeling of sadness I join my colleagues in paying tribute to HALE BOGGS. This House has lost a valuable Member. I have lost a friend. But even more sad is the fact that a dedicated and able public servant in the highest sense of this term is lost to the Nation. HALE loved people and people loved him. Everyone in this House enjoyed his warm, friendly, and cordial personality. We appreciated his constantly smiling face and his firm handshake that always greeted us. We recognized him as a southern gentleman in the best sense of the term.

It has been my pleasure to serve with HALE BOGGS during seven congressional terms and I have gained from his many years' experience, his good judgment, and his wise counsel.

HALE BOGGS was a legislator of the highest order. He could analyze the problem, organize his thoughts and respond with unflinching candor and acuteness. He could cut through the frills and get to the heart of an issue. And yet when the dust settled on the debate—regardless of how difficult it had been—he was your friend in the end.

HALE never shirked his duty or failed to respond to the needs of his colleagues. He was a great Democrat who proved even in that last fateful moment that he would go anyplace to help a friend and a colleague.

HALE BOGGS was a leader. Few men in the history of this Nation contributed more to their countrymen than that famous leadership team composed of Speakers John McCormack and Carl Albert, HALE BOGGS, and Gerald R. Ford. We all owe them a real debt of gratitude for their constructive and cooperative approach to the common problems we faced. They will all be remembered as dedicated public servants.

HALE was a sincere and dedicated American who loved his country, who honored his Government and who trusted and served his people. Our personal sadness cannot be diminished, but it is

somewhat eased by the knowledge that his contribution to life and to the well-being of his fellowman will endure.

Mrs. Taylor joins me in extending sincere sympathy and best wishes to HALE's wife, Congresswoman Lindy Boggs, and to their children.

Mr. ARENDS. Mr. Speaker, the tragic accident which took HALE BOGGS from us ended what was indeed a splendid career as a public servant.

His untimely death was a great loss to his family, to the Congress, and to the Nation. It must have been especially tragic to the people of Louisiana whom he represented with such affection and dedication in the Congress. Yet, on this day when we eulogize HALE BOGGS, we also rejoice that his people in Louisiana now have the good fortune to be served by HALE's beloved widow.

HALE and Lindy Boggs were always a popular and outstanding couple on Capitol Hill, Lindy shared HALE's ideals and his decisions, and now she is here in the Congress to carry on the work he started—the work that they shared together.

As we pay tribute today to HALE BOGGS, my memories are special ones. For 9 years, HALE and I served together as the whips of our respective parties—from his election as majority whip in 1962 in the 2d session of the 87th Congress until his election as majority leader in 1971 at the beginning of the 92d Congress.

I recall clearly the great pleasure I had serving with him, and I treasure the warm friendship which we developed through the years.

We shared ideas, and we shared a unique understanding of the responsibilities we carried. He counted on his side of the aisle—and I counted on mine. Each of us wanted to win, and we labored to win. Many issues over which we toiled in intense opposition were of vital importance to us. Our competition was keen. Yet, above all, in every instance HALE BOGGS was fair.

I miss HALE BOGGS, and in his memory it is my fervent wish that this body may forever deliberate and decide the matters before it with that same fairness which was always the trademark of the Honorable HALE BOGGS of Louisiana.

Mr. WHITTEN. Mr. Speaker, I join with my colleagues in expressing our sorrow at the loss of our outstanding colleague, Hon. HALE BOGGS, my good friend.

It was my privilege to serve with HALE BOGGS through practically all of his service in the Congress. Energetic, courageous, and possessed of many wonderful qualities, HALE BOGGS worked his way up the ladder of leadership in the Congress far above the attainments of most Members. It was also my privilege to enjoy a very close relationship with him, coming from the same area and having belonged to the same fraternity. His contributions to the Congress and to the Nation will be long remembered and are a tribute to his hard work, courage, and ability.

Mr. Speaker, I cannot express these sentiments without saying we are, indeed, fortunate that Mrs. Hale Boggs, Lindy, who contributed so greatly to HALE's success, will continue to serve Louisiana and the Nation. I subscribe to the other fine statements made here by other colleagues.

We shall miss HALE in this House as we treasure our fond memories of the many hours we enjoyed during our service. To his fine family we extend our deepest sympathy.

Mr. MORGAN. Mr. Speaker, the tragedy which took HALE BOGGS has removed from us a leader, a colleague and a friend who was an inspiration to us all.

His achievements as a major figure on the American scene over the years will be long remembered: as a leader of this House; as a champion of international trade; as a mainstay of the Democratic Party; as a recipient of special Presidential assignments; as a devoted representative of his people of New Orleans.

To us who knew HALE BOGGS in congressional life he was a masterful strategist and a persuasive debater. Yet, because of the esteem for his open mindedness and fairness, he could make utmost use of his great talent for bridging partisan and factional differences.

Perhaps the most outstanding measure of the man is how we remember him as a person. He was a gentleman in the finest sense. He had charm and wit. He extended a warm courtesy and consideration toward others even in times of stress.

HALE was always a strong family man. Thus, it is especially fitting that his beloved wife, Lindy, will continue his work in the Congress.

In paying tribute to our departed leader, I want also to wish every good fortune to his widow and successor.

Mr. ROYBAL. Mr. Speaker, it is with sadness that I join in paying respect and tribute to the memory of our friend and former colleague, the late THOMAS HALE BOGGS.

During his years here, HALE BOGGS was one of the most influential and effective Members of this body, and his influence and friendship will always be felt by those of us privileged to have known him. That he was in Alaska braving the savage weather along with Nick Begich gives testimony to his great generosity and party loyalty and, undoubtedly, there are, within this room, many personal memories of some courtesy or favor extended by the former majority leader.

HALE BOGGS represented all that is best in a public servant and his years of service to his district, the State of Louisiana and the Nation have been marked with integrity, dedication, dignity and understanding. He set a high standard of both service and accomplishment. We are fortunate to have been associated with a man of such great ability and total devotion to his duty and fellowman.

Mr. SISK. Mr. Speaker, I thank the distinguished gentleman from Louisiana, Mr. Hébert, for providing this opportunity for Members to pay tribute to the late HALE BOGGS.

Coming to Congress on January 3, 1941, HALE served as the youngest Democratic member in that Congress, being only 27 years of age at the time. He then performed distinguished service as a naval officer in World War II, and at the conclusion of hostilities again took a seat in the House to begin his long, valuable service as a member from Louisiana, and as one of the premier leaders of the House and the Democratic Party.

His flair for leadership had asserted itself early in life when he was selected for ODK leadership fraternity and Phi Beta Kappa scholastic fraternity while still in college at Tulane University.

This trait for leadership came to the fore in the House where he served as deputy whip for three Congresses, majority whip for five Congresses, then in the 92d Congress, in an election which certainly proved his popularity in the House conclusively to me, was elected majority leader.

One thing will always stand out in the minds of those of us who had the privilege of serving with HALE and that was his unselfishness in the giving of his time to further the cause of electing Democrats

to Congress. He would travel and speak anywhere at anytime to lend his support to a Democratic House candidate, and indeed it was on just such a mission that he was unfortunately lost.

The House is a better place for having had the long and able services of so fine a Member, and as is not often the case HALE's great work will be carried on by his successor, his beloved wife Lindy.

To her, and the family, Mrs. Sisk and I extend our heartfelt sympathy at his passing.

Mr. EVINS of Tennessee. Mr. Speaker, I want to take this means of paying a brief but sincere tribute to the memory of our beloved colleague and leader, HALE BOGGS.

Certainly, like all of you, I was deeply distressed, shocked, and saddened to learn of the tragic passing of our great friend, and my heart goes out to his wife Corinne and their children, Mrs. Paul Sigmund, Mrs. Steven Roberts, and Thomas Hale, Jr.

When I reflect on the life and career of HALE BOGGS, which spanned more than a quarter of a century in the House, I am reminded of this verse in the Book of Saint John in the Bible:

Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

The fatal trip that led to the death of our majority leader epitomized his selflessness and his willingness to undergo hardship and strain to assist a colleague. He was in Alaska flying in bad weather to speak at campaign dinners in behalf of our late colleague, the gentleman from Alaska, Nicholas Begich, who also died tragically in the crash of their light aircraft, along with an aide to Congressman Begich, Russ Brown, and the pilot, Don Jonz.

HALE had been up most of the previous night during a long session of the House, but he did not hesitate to leave the following morning with little sleep to campaign in distant Alaska for a colleague and friend—and he literally laid down his life for his friend.

I had occasion to talk with HALE, the day before his departure, and I asked him why we were not having a Monday session of the House. He replied that as a matter of courtesy to Gerry Ford, the distinguished minority leader, the House was not meeting on Monday.

He did not mention his trip—it apparently did not occur to him, as he had been campaigning almost every week for his friends and colleagues in the House.

HALE BOGGS, was a great American, a champion of the people who fought for legislation to meet human needs, an outstanding legislator, a man devoted to principle who took positions which unquestionably cost him votes in his district in Louisiana.

He had great physical courage and great moral courage. HALE BOGGS was a man in every sense of the word, and his career has enriched the legislative history of the House immeasurably, and his strong support has added much legislation in the public interest.

HALE BOGGS was a great Democrat who believed firmly and fervently in the principles and the promise of the Democratic Party, and his dedication to his party is unequalled on Capitol Hill.

HALE began his service in the House in the 77th Congress when he was the youngest Democrat in the House at that time. Following service as a Naval officer in World War II, he was again elected to the Congress in 1946, which was the date of my first election to the Congress. We came to Congress together in the 80th Congress in 1947, and our friendship deepened through the years.

HALE served on the Ways and Means Committee for 20 years and held a number of important positions on vital and important committees and commissions—including the Warren Commission which investigated the death of President Kennedy, and on the National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence.

He has held important posts at Democratic National Conventions through the years and served as deputy Democratic whip in the 85th, 86th, and part of the 87th Congress. He served as Democratic whip for 9 years in subsequent Congresses until his election as majority leader in the 92d Congress.

HALE BOGGS was genial, able, considerate and cooperative. He had the mind for big things and the heart for small things. He was greatly admired and respected on both sides of the aisle because of his forthright and unequivocal positions on issues—you knew where HALE BOGGS stood on the point at issue.

HALE BOGGS was my personal friend and I valued his friendship and shall treasure the memories of our shared experiences—he will be greatly missed in the 93d Congress.

We all remember the quotation to the effect that old soldiers do not die—they just fade away.

It saddened me immeasurably to think that HALE BOGGS flew away—and never returned alive.

I want to take this means of extending to Mrs. Boggs—a charming, gracious lady and wonderful wife, who has succeeded her husband as Congresswoman from the Second District of Louisiana—and to the children and other members of the family this expression of my deepest and most sincere sympathy in their loss and bereavement—and my wife Ann joins me in these sentiments.

We were saddened by the loss of our great majority leader, HALE BOGGS, but we welcome Corinne Lindy Boggs, his gracious wife, who is already rendering distinguished service to the Nation.

Mr. BARRETT. Mr. Speaker, it is always a very sad occasion for me to eulogize a beloved Member on the floor of the House. It is even sadder on the first day of the new Congress to speak of the memory of my distinguished majority leader and close friend the late HALE BOGGS. The death of HALE BOGGS is a tragic loss to the American people and more importantly to the U.S. House of Representatives.

HALE was truly a leader of men; a strong, dynamic, loyal, and trusting friend. Having served with HALE in the House for over 25 years, I knew him well. We worked together often on many pieces of legislation that affected our respective congressional districts.

I had worked with him very closely the last 10 years since he assumed position in the leadership of the House. I was never surprised when seeing him in Philadelphia or other areas of the country speaking to various groups and helping other Members of the House in their campaigns and at political gatherings.

The last day I was with HALE BOGGS was the last day he was here on the House floor on Saturday, October 14. HALE was telling me of his upcoming trip to Alaska to campaign for our late distinguished Member from Alaska, Nick Begich, who was lost in the same air tragedy as HALE BOGGS was. HALE was telling us that he had never been to Alaska and was looking forward very much to seeing that great State, to visit with its people, and to help Nick Begich's campaign.

I am sure that every Member who has worked with HALE over the years has developed a deep and abiding respect for his intellect and capacity to work. In my position as chairman of the Housing Subcommittee of the Committee on Banking and Currency, I have worked over the years particularly close with HALE on our major

housing legislation. HALE was one of the most instrumental Members of this House in assisting in the passage of the monumental Housing Act of 1949. Without his firm guidance as chairman of the Committee of the Whole, I do not believe that the 1949 Housing Act would have passed this body.

Mr. Speaker, as I join with other Members today in eulogizing my late friend and colleague, I wish to extend my deep sympathy to his great wife, Lindy, and to his extraordinary family. The final praise that one can make of HALE BOGGS can be the Biblical expression, "Well done good and faithful servant."

Mr. CLARK. Mr. Speaker, it is difficult to eulogize a man like HALE BOGGS for he had so many virtues and so few shortcomings. He was a great leader, a great friend of all of us and a great man.

HALE BOGGS never turned a deaf ear to those who sought his advice or help, regardless of politics. To know him was to love and respect him.

HALE BOGGS died as he lived—helping a friend. His death in a plane crash in Alaska occurred while he was in that State helping a colleague who was seeking reelection. His passing was a loss to Congress, to the Democratic Party for which he labored so long and to his family and his many friends.

Mr. GOODLING. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay my respects to our respected colleague, the late Honorable HALE BOGGS.

My sadness on this occasion is tempered by recalling that shortly before HALE took his ill-fated airplane trip to Alaska, I happened to meet him in the corridor during the course of one of our late House sessions. As we all know, HALE was a devoted Democrat, and on that occasion when I met him in the corridor, I joshed with him about the fact that there was living in my congressional district in Pennsylvania a niece of his, and she was a dedicated Republican. She was this, I kidded him, in spite of the fact that her uncle was a very famous Democrat.

In a serious vein, I want to say that HALE made a great contribution to the legislative achievements obtained in this Chamber. HALE BOGGS was devoted to good government, and I shall always remember him for his competence as a legislator and his achievements as a Congressman. I feel certain that history will mark him for remembrance in these respects.

Mr. FUQUA. Mr. Speaker, few men have ever served in the U.S. House of Representatives with the enthusiasm of HALE BOGGS.

He had courage and he had stamina. One additional thing that I think endears him to the memory of those who had the privilege of serving with him was his genuine concern for his fellow Members.

That concern and that interest were instrumental in seeing him elected as our majority leader and he would have no doubt succeeded to the speakership after you, Mr. Speaker. That same regard was to cost him his life as he fulfilled one last commitment to another colleague. HALE had gone to our largest State to help Nick Begich, the lone U.S. Representative from Alaska, retain his seat. It was one of hundreds of such journeys he had made in his career and it endeared him to those who know of the sacrifice in time and energy he was willing to make.

It was natural that his colleagues would call on HALE. Many times I have seen him spellbind an audience with his wit and knowledge of people. He was a tremendous speaker and could win over a hostile audience as fast as any man I have ever seen.

I could always count on HALE for a kind word in time of difficulty, for a straightforward talk when he disagreed with my position, and for a very warm personal friend in and out of the Halls of Congress.

Now he is gone from us. I remember how the announcement that his plane was missing hit all of us. It was like a member of the family was missing.

Now he is succeeded by his lovely and talented wife, Linda. This is fitting, for she was always a part of a tremendous team. She will establish an enviable record of service in her own right.

As we gather to pay tribute to the memory of THOMAS HALE BOGGS, SR., here today, we remember him as the vibrant legislator who loved these Halls.

Like the other giants who have walked these corridors, no history of the U.S. House of Representatives will be complete without mention of his name.

He was a giant of his time and this Nation and the world are richer for his having served.

Mr. ROYBAL. Mr. Speaker, it is indeed sad that as this 93d Congress begins we find absent from our midst our dear friend and former colleague, THOMAS HALE BOGGS.

A young man of just 26 when he first entered the House but always a skilled orator and masterful politician, he edged his way from one position to another, finally emerging as House majority leader and one of the most influential men in Congress.

As is often the case with men in positions of leadership, he sometimes pursued a lonely course. His views on domestic issues were usually somewhat ahead of orthodoxy in the South, but he stood his ground knowing that it would alienate him from his Southern companions in the House and white voters in his New Orleans district. Although he originally voted against civil rights measures, he was essentially an unbiased and compassionate man. So, finally in 1965—in an impassioned floor speech which is probably the most memorable of his career—he squared his public stance with his conscience and supported the Voting Rights Act and the open housing legislation a few years later.

Both fully and painfully aware of the many dilemmas and contradictions in our society, he possessed a great sensitivity to the changing of the times. He said,

I always try to favor things that bring people together, not those that divide them.

He believed in this principle whether it applied to a neighborhood or the Nation.

That HALE BOGGS was in Alaska braving the savage weather was testament to the generosity and party loyalty of the House veterans who had grown from a 26-year-old representative of narrow Southern interests into an impressive National Democrat. He rarely refused a colleague's request for political assistance.

While all of us will long grieve at his loss, we can remember the spirit of hope and charity that pervaded his life and political career and give thanks for the honor and privilege of having shared a portion of it with him.

Mr. ANNUNZIO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to our former majority leader and colleague, Hon. HALE BOGGS who has represented the Second District of Louisiana for almost three decades.

Having served for 8 years in the House of Representatives with HALE BOGGS, I can say that he is sorely missed as the business of this Chamber goes forward.

The 8 years during which I served with HALE BOGGS were fraught with change—and as the Nation and its perceptions changed, the need arose for a new style of leadership. HALE BOGGS was one of these leaders.

It is rare indeed, when in one man a deep and sympathetic understanding of the influence of the past upon the present is combined with the compassionate insight to understand the needs of the future. HALE BOGGS provided us with that link and supplied us with the leadership which made that link so vital, alive, and meaningful in the day-to-day business of the House of Representatives.

HALE BOGGS' style of leadership—a style of aggressive decency—was the kind of leadership most needed by a sensitive and open democracy. The House indeed misses HALE BOGGS.

These months of uncertainty have been a burden for us all, but particularly for his family. Mrs. Annunzio joins me in extending deepest sympathy to Mrs. Boggs and the family of this great man.

Mr. CEDERBERG. Mr. Speaker, the tragic loss of our good friend and esteemed colleague from Louisiana was a shock to each and every Member of this body. HALE BOGGS had served his district, his home State of Louisiana, and the Nation with distinction during his nearly 28 years in the Congress.

It was my pleasure to have been able to know HALE and serve with him for nearly 20 years. While we worked on different sides of the aisle, I was always impressed with his fairness and his genuine devotion to service his people and the Nation in an unselfish way. HALE was always friendly and helpful to all of the Members of this body. I know that we all feel a sense of personal loss with the absence of HALE's company and his leadership.

The distinction of his election to the position of majority leader by his colleagues at the outset of the 92d Congress was certainly justified in the case of HALE BOGGS. This recognition followed years of genuine and devoted service to both his party and the Congress and all of us who served in this body were encouraged by the known leadership qualities which HALE possessed. His subsequent actions in the post certainly confirmed that our high regard was justified. I know that we, in the Congress, and those in his party feel a great loss.

To his wife, Lindy, who is carrying on in the finest tradition of her husband, and to his family, we express our sincere sympathy.

Mr. FULTON. Mr. Speaker, our late colleague from Louisiana was truly a credit to the U.S. House of Representatives. He was a man of many qualities which were admired and which were worthy of emulation. He was candid and forthright. He was conscientious and able. He was considerate and he could be controversial. Yet at all times he had a deep and abiding love for this body which made him one of the most dedicated and effective legislators it has been my privilege to know and be associated with during my service.

As a bewildered and confused freshman in the very earliest days of my first term some years ago, HALE BOGGS gave me some of the very best advice that I have ever received as a Member of the House.

The occasion was a seminar for new Members during which several of our senior and distinguished colleagues were kind enough to give of their time to pass on some words of welcome and advice as to what the most important task lay ahead of us as "freshmen."

One told us the most important challenge ahead over the next 2 years was to get reelected. Another advised the first term should be used in making contacts on the Hill and in the Federal departments and agencies. A third stressed the importance of learning the rules and procedures of the House. Finally, HALE BOGGS, then majority whip, addressed the group and told us, very quickly and precisely:

The most important job you have here, during your first or any term, is to legislate.

Somehow, in the excitement of those early days many may have tended to have overlooked this fact; we are here primarily to legislate.

I have never forgotten HALE BOGGS' words which early impressed on my mind this primary task and the quality of this man. He was an outstanding legislator. He was a fine leader. He was my friend and a friend to me. He is very much missed.

Mr. GIBBONS. Mr. Speaker, the tragic loss of the Honorable HALE BOGGS has come as a blow to the House of Representatives, leaving many Members with a sense of deep personal grief.

At the time of my own entrance into Congress, in 1963, HALE was an 18-year veteran, firmly established as a congressional leader of the highest caliber. I shall always remember his helpful attitude at that time, and his friendly response at all times.

HALE BOGGS was a reformer, and one who was not afraid to say so—not afraid of identifying himself with the liberal, progressive cause even when doing so was to jeopardize his entire political future.

Upon graduating from law school in 1937, he came at once into conflict with the regular Democratic leadership in New Orleans and 3 years later was nominated for Congress and elected on a reform platform, in opposition to that leadership. Although defeated in his battle for renomination in 1942, and absent from the State throughout his service in the Naval Reserves, he was returned to Washington in the 1946 campaign, and became from that point forward a fixture in the House.

Elected to the Committee on Ways and Means in 1949, he established himself as a leader among a large body of his fellow Democrats in Washington. On that basis he was designated Democratic deputy whip in the 85th Congress, whip in the 87th, and majority leader in the 92d.

A strong advocate of international cooperation, he was at all times in favor of the United Nations, and a delegate to several conventions of the Interparliamentary Union. On domestic matters he was a New Dealer, Fair Dealer, New Frontier, and Great Society man from first to last.

Throughout my service in the Congress, I have never known a man of more ability and fearless determination than the late HALE BOGGS, and I would like at this time to express my deep regret at his unfortunate, untimely demise.

The House of Representatives is fortunate that HALE's lovely wife, Lindy, was elected to serve in his place.

She is highly respected by all Members.

She and her family have my deepest sympathy.

Mr. UDALL. Mr. Speaker, when word first came last fall that HALE BOGGS and Nick Begich were missing and presumed down over the arctic, my first emotion, of course, was fear for their safety.

But as their death became more certain my thoughts turned to HALE BOGGS the person. How typical it was of him to be out aiding a colleague while he had his own race at home. For if HALE BOGGS was anything, he was courageous, dedicated to making the American political system work. I was privileged to serve with him and to learn

from him. He had the courage and the skill to take on the tough jobs for his party and his Nation.

What did it matter if that courage and dedication took the form of campaigning in Alaska or working impossible hours in his office.

But there is a special poignancy to his death, for he was literally on the frontier—both politically and geographically—of America when he died. There was no requirement that he fly off to isolated Alaskan villages with few people and fewer votes, he could have remained in the cities and no one could have claimed that he was not carrying his load. But he had made a commitment to a colleague, and HALE BOGGS was not about to back out on the spirit, must less the letter of that commitment. The heart of his colleague's State was in the wild arctic, and that was where he went.

It was precisely this kind of dedication, both to personal loyalty and the work of Government, that propelled HALE BOGGS on his distinguished career in the House.

HALE BOGGS came to the Congress first in 1940, the youngest Democrat serving. He was only 26. However, BOGGS threatened his own budding political career to take 3 years out as an officer in the Navy. When he returned to the House in 1946, BOGGS received several important committee assignments.

By 1955, BOGGS had established his reputation as one of the hardest working men in the Congress, and his colleagues recognized that with their support. He became deputy whip with less than 10 year's continuous service.

BOGGS again won a vote of confidence by his colleagues when we elected him majority leader in 1971.

I personally confirmed in 1970 in the process of contesting with him for the majority leader's position that HALE BOGGS was highly popular among his colleagues and that he could both count their votes and read their concerns.

But there was more to HALE BOGGS than just hard work and attention to detail, BOGGS was responsible for much important legislation. His name was on virtually every major piece of legislation dealing with trade or international economic relations. As a member of the Ways and Means Committee, BOGGS became one of the Nation's leading experts on trade policy and one of the leading congressional spokesmen for the promotion of international trade.

But, in addition to the other heavy burdens HALE BOGGS carried in the Congress, there was one burden which no matter what he did always weighed heavily upon him.

This was the burden of being a national Democrat from the Deep South. BOGGS always managed to reconcile what often appeared to be irreconcilable to those of us from outside the South. He managed to meld the needs of his constituents and the desires of his constituents with the needs and desires of the Nation as a whole. This was no small political feat, and many of us looked in wonder and admiration as he did it.

His service as a member of the Warren Commission to investigate the assassination of President Kennedy and his superb chairmanship of the 1968 Democratic Platform Committee were only two outstanding examples of his national stature.

We will miss HALE BOGGS, for he offered us much in leadership and in friendship. And the Nation, which really knew so little about him, will miss him too. For as a man dedicated to making the political system work, he was a healer of differences. When others were seeking ways to impose their wills, HALE BOGGS was seeking ways to compromise and union. But, he was also a warm and genuinely enjoyable human being.

Ultimately, this is what he will be remembered for above all his other contributions to American life. For in this time of national strife and divisiveness, the all too rare healer stood out clearly, although his message was too often lost in the commotion.

Men like HALE BOGGS are rare and needed. We shall miss him here, and citizens of the United States will miss him more than most will ever know.

But we are fortunate that the voters of New Orleans have seen fit to select HALE BOGGS' exceptional wife, Lindy, to succeed him.

Mr. ADDABBO. Mr. Speaker, I join my colleagues in the House of Representatives in these remarks eulogizing our late and distinguished colleague and leader, the Honorable HALE BOGGS. The tragic disappearance of the former majority leader was a shock to this Chamber and to people throughout the United States and the world who knew of his efforts and public service.

HALE BOGGS was a leader of the U.S. Congress and he was also a leader among legislators. He understood the legislative process as

few legislators did and he used that knowledge together with his ability to grasp problems and the desires of all Americans to develop a progressive and productive record of accomplishment for himself and for the Congress. He represented his own Louisiana constituents but he never lost sight of the broader national interest which explains his impact on the decisions of other national leaders as well as his leadership at the State and local level.

His kind of legislative achievement is the model for us all to emulate and that is why his absence from the House is felt by all of us who had the privilege of working with him and under his leadership.

I join in this tribute to HALE BOGGS and in both expressing my personal sympathies to his widow, our colleague Mrs. Boggs, and in wishing her every success as a Member of this Chamber.

Mr. DOMINICK V. DANIELS. Mr. Speaker, I rise to express my deepest regret that our good friend HALE BOGGS, late the majority leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, cannot be with us today on the floor of the House. His passing has left a great void for all of us who loved him as a great leader, a distinguished colleague and a good friend.

Mr. Speaker, I have a special memory of HALE, for during the last days of the 92d Congress I was very interested in obtaining passage of the Longshoremen's and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act of 1972. The House was in session on Saturday, October 14, 1972, and I returned to Washington from the campaign trail to push this bill which was under consideration that day in the House.

The House approved the bill which was subsequently signed into law by Mr. Nixon. During the passage of that bill I had a chance to witness the shrewdness and tactical ability of HALE BOGGS. We spent a good portion of his last day in the House together where he was a master of the legislative arena. It was the last piece of legislation he was to be concerned with. We did not dream of it then, but a 30-year career in the House was in its last minutes. On the same weekend he began the fateful campaign trip with our friend, Congressman Nick Begich, in the remote vastness of the State of Alaska. Neither has been seen since.

I miss HALE BOGGS as we all miss him. We miss his serene self-confidence, his good nature and his undenied leadership abilities. It is fair to say that we shall not see his like again. It is good to see that his life-

work is being continued by his wife and faithful companion, Lindy, who has taken up the task he left behind.

Mr. Speaker, I thank the able gentleman from Louisiana, Mr. Hébert, for taking this special order so that we may pay tribute to our old and good friend, HALE BOGGS.

Mr. DE LA GARZA. Mr. Speaker, when I entered the House in January 1965, HALE BOGGS already had been a distinguished Member for many years. And what I remember best about him is the kindness and consideration he extended to me as a freshman in this body.

These qualities were basic in his character. HALE BOGGS was an immensely human person. As I came to know him better, my admiration for him steadily increased. He knew this House, he knew its Members, he understood and sympathized with their problems, and he was always ready and able to be helpful.

His qualifications for leadership in the House were superb and he exercised them superbly. The warmth of his nature drew people to him in deep friendship. He was my friend. I miss him now and will remember him all my life.

HALE would have liked to know, and I believe he does know, that his seat is now filled by his charming and competent wife, Lindy. She has the respect and—it is not too strong a word—the love of Members who have long known her and who rejoice that since her husband cannot be with us, she is here. Lindy Boggs is a worthy successor to an eminent predecessor as a Representative from my neighboring State of Louisiana.

Mr. JOHNSON of California. Mr. Speaker, It is with great sadness that I rise today to pay respect to one of the finest legislators I have ever known. HALE BOGGS was a veteran in this House before I came to Congress more than 14 years ago. As we all know when he first was elected to the House he was the youngest Democrat to serve in this body.

He came to Congress shortly after completing a distinguished career in the Navy Maritime Service during World War II. Fortunately for the Nation the people of the Second District of Louisiana kept HALE BOGGS here ever since.

HALE's contribution to Congress and the Nation are many and include such broad areas as narcotics control, highway financing, eco-

nomics, taxes, foreign training and economy and efficiency in government. His service to the Congress won him the honors as majority leader and I was proud to have served under him during his leadership years. Many of these are things which are generally known. I mention them specifically because I feel that the service that he gave to us represents an example which each of us in this House should follow for he was indeed an outstanding, dedicated, hard working Congressman. He represented all that is good in politics and public service, but over and above that I want to mention his warm personality, his patience and his willingness to work and help new Members. As an example HALE lost his life while assisting a colleague in his bid for reelection.

I benefitted greatly from the privilege of knowing and working with HALE BOGGS. I want to express my deep appreciation for having had the opportunity to associate with this man.

Albra joins me in extending to our new colleague Lindy Boggs, his wonderful wife, and the family our deepest sympathy.

Mr. WRIGHT. Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was a man who loved the human race. He was too big for pettiness, too tolerant for hatred and too decent for vengeance. There were none of these baser elements in his character.

One of the first men I met upon coming to Congress in 1955 was HALE BOGGS. Already he was a leader in the House. He was introduced to me by the late Speaker Rayburn who held HALE in extremely high regard and whose protege HALE was. I soon discovered to my own great satisfaction that Speaker Rayburn's confidence was not in any sense misplaced.

HALE had come to Congress many years earlier. In 1941 he was the youngest Member of Congress. After an interim during which he served our country in World War II, he returned to the House in 1947 and began his steady climb up the ladder of political leadership.

In all the years, I knew him, HALE BOGGS was never too busy to hear the problems of another Member nor to consult with patience and understanding. He had a fine grasp of legislation, rooted in a deep grounding in the best American traditions. He knew the rules of the House like the palm of his hand and was one of our most skilled parliamentary practitioners.

But the thing that really lifted him above the common mold was the splendid spirit that burned within him. HALE was one of the most forceful and effective debaters I have ever heard. But his eloquence came not from the clever juxtaposition of words. It came from the processes of his fine mind and the convictions of his heart.

He had a quality of leadership and a gift for friendship, HALE BOGGS was deeply loyal to his country, to his party, and to his friends. If he told you something, you could count on it.

His trip to Alaska with our young friend, Nick Begich, was in harmony with the thrust of his life. I remember the week they left on that fateful journey. The legislative schedule had been heavy. Congress was hastening toward adjournment. The burdens of leadership had borne down on HALE's shoulders. He was tired, perhaps more so than the rest of us. Nick was apprehensive that some official business might intervene to prevent HALE's going with him as promised to Alaska. But, true to his promise, HALE finished his legislative business in a flurry of activity and accompanied Nick on that trip.

In the untimely loss of HALE BOGGS, Congress and the country have lost not only one of the ablest lawmakers of our time but one of the finest and most exemplary of men. And many of us have lost a cherished friend.

Mr. GONZALEZ. Mr. Speaker, it is 7 months since we heard the tragic news that our friend, colleague, and majority leader, HALE BOGGS was missing in a plane somewhere in the Alaskan wilderness, and it is still hard to believe that he is not with us.

From the beginning, of course, our reaction was that he would be found, but as the days and weeks passed by we were forced to face the reality that HALE was gone from us forever.

Someone visiting my office the other day commented that every time they had lunch in the House dining room they saw Majority Leader BOGGS, and that day while dining there, they missed his presence. I'm sure many of us have had that same feeling. We walk down a hall in the Capitol or onto the House floor expecting to see HALE, and then realize he will not be here.

HALE will be remembered by many for the things he fought for. He was a man who was not afraid to tackle any task and to come to the aid of anyone who needed his assistance. Many can testify that the results of HALE's efforts were positive.

HALE was an outstanding person, Congressman, and majority leader, dedicated to the highest traditions of public service. His love for his country is something everyone in the Nation will benefit from, including those who served with him in this Chamber.

I can remember on occasion when HALE would quote former Speaker Sam Rayburn who said that a man could have a lot of things, a lot of attributes and a lot of qualities, but if he lacked judgement then he lacked the most important attribute of all, and every Member who served with HALE, and everyone who knew him will tell you that HALE had that judgement.

His district, State, our country, and most of all those who served with him will miss him, but those who knew him can be thankful for having had the opportunity to know such a great man.

Mrs. HANSEN of Washington. Mr. Speaker, the tragic death of the distinguished Member of Congress, the Honorable HALE BOGGS of Louisiana, this past year brought great sadness to all of the Members of the House of Representatives.

Mr. BOGGS was a man of rare qualities, achieving recognition for his legislative leadership in the House where he held many important positions, including that of majority leader during the 92d Congress.

It was a privilege to have served with such an able lawmaker. He was a close friend, one who was helpful with suggestions and ideas for presenting effective legislation. In addition, Mr. BOGGS was a skilled parliamentarian and his guidance was often sought by Members of the House. And with his leadership in Congress, Mr. BOGGS often displayed a special quality that helped to make friends and carry out his work effectively—he was possessed of a great sense of humor.

Not only was Mr. BOGGS a leader in the Halls of Congress, where he served as the Democratic whip for five sessions, but he gave generously of his time and energies through the years to serve the interests of civic, fraternal, religious and veterans organizations in his own State and the District of Columbia.

His loss to the Nation will be felt down through the years and will be mourned by all those who had the great privilege to have worked with him in seeking to build an ever better Nation.

In closing, I extend to his family sincere sympathy over this great loss that has come to the State of Louisiana and the Nation.

Mr. MAZZOLI. Mr. Speaker, all of us here today who served with our late and beloved friend, HALE BOGGS, feel a personal, poignant sense of loss as we eulogize a man who served us and the Nation as the distinguished majority leader of the House of Representatives until his tragic disappearance last October.

HALE loved the House and left his hallmark on this body by his eminent leadership, his courageous support of human rights legislation, and his advocacy of the higher ideals of this country. His name is forever a part of the history of this House.

But, I do not speak today of HALE BOGGS as leader, national figure, nor even as beloved husband to our colleague, Lindy, nor as loving father to his fine children. Rather, I talk of HALE today as my good friend.

HALE BOGGS took a personal interest in my first campaign for the Congress. He visited my district during my 1970 campaign at a time when I was locked in strong combat with my incumbent opponent.

HALE spoke in my behalf and later kept in close touch with me as my election was submitted to the courts for final resolution.

Ultimately, I was declared the winner by a mere 211 votes. Truly a razor-thin victory.

Who is to say that HALE's personal visit to my district was not precisely the force which produced those last few votes which decided the contest in my favor?

The many courtesies he extended to me during my campaign and during my first years in the House can never be repaid.

But, perhaps recounting to this body my personal recollections of HALE BOGGS will contribute a bit to this sober moment when we gather to remember HALE, to commemorate his days with us and to extend our personal condolences to his bereaved widow and his beloved family.

Mr. HOWARD. Mr. Speaker, today I want to add my voice to the many from both sides of the aisle in speaking out in tribute to HALE BOGGS.

As Majority Leader HALE BOGGS exemplified strong leadership and an uncanny knowledge of the legislation he was working to have passed. He labored tirelessly in his role as a Representative from his district as well as the majority leader.

But even more important than his legislative abilities, HALE BOGGS was a man of great human compassion. Even at the time his plane disappeared HALE BOGGS was campaigning to help the reelection efforts of a fellow Representative. HALE BOGGS was never too busy to help a colleague. It mattered not if the problem was one of great national concern or one restricted solely to a single Member and his district.

HALE BOGGS leaves behind him a legacy of great accomplishments as a Representative, majority leader and, most of all, as a man.

And, in the mold of HALE BOGGS, that legacy will be carried on by his devoted wife, Lindy, who now has the privilege of representing HALE BOGGS' congressional district.

Mr. WON PAT. Mr. Speaker, it is my great pleasure to rise to-day with my colleagues in memorium of our late comrade and majority leader, Congressman HALE BOGGS.

Although this is my first term in office as Guam's Congressional Delegate, my previous experience as the territory's Washington representative provided me with ample opportunity to become acquainted with Congressman BOGGS. At every meeting, that wise and astute leader of men from the State of Louisiana gave me his undivided attention. He was always ready to lend the people of Guam a helping hand and to provide us with the benefit of his extensive knowledge of legislative matters.

Shortly before his fatal accident, I had the honor, with my colleagues from the Guam Legislature, to meet with him in his office. Although he sat in most august surroundings, the man himself could not have been more natural or friendly. Congressman BOGGS was truly a man, skilled and steeped in the traditions of his office. But Congressman BOGGS was foremost a compassionate and understanding human being—a trait which endeared him to his family, his many friends and to his fellow colleagues.

His absence is truly our loss. During these trying times, when the prerogatives of Congress are under attack, the leadership and effective persuasion of Congressman HALE BOGGS would be a valued force on our behalf.

In his place we are privileged to have serving with us his beautiful wife and life's companion, Lindy. During her brief term in

office, she has shown herself to be quite capable and I take this opportunity to extend to her my sincere welcome to this body.

Mr. DANIELSON. Mr. Speaker, I wish to join with my many colleagues in paying tribute to our late great friend and leader, Representative HALE BOGGS of Louisiana.

My own friendship with HALE BOGGS was formed when, as a freshman, I was elected to the position of assistant majority whip and was given the privilege of working closely with him in the whip organization. HALE BOGGS, as majority leader, was most helpful to me as a newcomer, providing me with much needed guidance and advice. I quickly learned that he was a leader of great skill and ability, as well as a man of great warmth and understanding.

As a Member of Congress for 15 terms, and as part of the Democratic leadership for much of the 29 years he was with us, Congressman BOGGS exerted a positive and enduring force in the Congress.

HALE BOGGS was an effective legislator, a capable party leader, and, above all, a fine man. We are all grateful for his contributions to our country. I will always cherish the memory of him as a friend.

Mr. SMITH of New York. Mr. Speaker, I join my colleagues in expressing sincere regret at the untimely loss of the former majority leader, the late HALE BOGGS. It was due to his unfailing willingness to help his fellows that he was in Alaska where the tragedy occurred. Although we were on opposite sides of the aisle, I found HALE BOGGS to be always courteous and always friendly, and we all miss his warmth and his wit. To his wife, now our colleague, and to his children, I express my profound sympathy at their great loss.

Mr. ROGERS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a great sense of loss that I join in paying tribute today to our esteemed departed colleague, leader, and friend, HALE BOGGS.

HALE had just really begun his work as majority leader, and we looked forward to many more years of his capable leadership.

HALE's unique leadership abilities expressed themselves early in his life, as an honor student at Tulane University, and as chairman of the People's League of Louisiana. At the age of 26, HALE was the youngest Democrat in the House when first elected in 1940, and as we know, an outstanding career as legislator and leader of his peers followed.

Returning to the House after the war in 1947, HALE embarked upon a legislative career that was marked by its diversity. As chairman of the Foreign Economic Policy Subcommittee of the Joint Economic Committee, HALE coauthored every reciprocal trade agreement entered into by the United States, and laid the groundwork for the Trade Expansion Act of 1962, and the Kennedy round of negotiations which followed. From 1949 until 1971, HALE served as a member of the Ways and Means Committee, rising to the position of ranking member. As majority whip from 1962 to 1971, and then as majority leader of the House, HALE played a principal part in the passage of nearly every major piece of legislation under the administrations of Presidents Kennedy, Johnson, and Nixon.

I believe these legislative and leadership achievements were due to HALE's uncanny ability to understand deeply all points of view on an issue and then to reconcile these views. Our colleague from New York, Mr. Carey, has called HALE a "leader and a healer." It was these qualities for example which enabled HALE to do such an outstanding job as chairman of the Platform Committee at the 1968 Democratic National Convention.

But HALE will be missed not only for his significant contributions to his party and to this body. I am sure each of my colleagues here joins with me in regretting the loss of HALE's friendship and the warmth and understanding he extended to all with whom he came in contact.

That friendship will be missed, but the loss of HALE has been softened by the presence of his lovely wife, Lindy, who has now joined us here in the House. All of us who have had the opportunity to know Lindy over the years are immensely sincere in welcoming her to this Chamber, and wish her the very best success in her work here. I am sure that that work will be in the great tradition of our esteemed colleague and leader, HALE BOGGS.

Mr. BURLESON of Texas. Mr. Speaker, it is a satisfying thing to hear these great eulogies to our former colleague and leader HALE Boggs.

He was one of the most resourceful Members who served in this body during my years here. He was studious and perceiving and had a political acumen unexcelled. I was always amazed at his expertise on so many subjects.

Serving with him on the Ways and Means Committee was an experience to forever remember. In the many complicated matters within the jurisdiction of that committee, HALE BOGGS demonstrated an ability far beyond the capacity of most of us, and exercised a tremendous influence recognized throughout the country.

In the position of majority leader he led with considerateness and with an understanding not always common with men. He respected one's position whether he agreed or not and never criticized opposing views because he assumed it for good reason and never expected explanations. He was a friend and his presence and influence is greatly missed.

Mr. RONCALIO of Wyoming. Mr. Speaker, I am saddened today to appear on the floor to partake in the special order of the gentleman from Louisiana, Mr. F. Edward Hébert, for the purpose of a eulogy to the late HALE BOGGS, with whom I was privileged and honored to serve in this House of Representatives.

From Long Beach, Miss., where he was born in 1914, to the indescribably beautiful and silent mountains where he left us in the throes of the political campaign in the fall of 1972, HALE BOGGS' life and service spanned a continent. He was a true leader of men on a national basis, from the farthest reaches of our country, across its vast expanse of lands and interests. He taught us all something of patience, something of humility, he was never too busy to talk to the humblest among us, and he was never quite so pleased as to be with a group of his fellow lawmakers helping with the work of the House—the people's House of which he was so proud.

He was a competent protagonist, a compassionate leader, a charming raconteur, a devoted husband and father, a good man.

He lent of his resources, of his staff, of his very life—to help other men and women achieve positions of eminence in their government. In fact, his very death is a tribute to his devotion to that leadership he held so dear, the majority leader of the lawmakers of the Democratic Party in this great body.

He was a great man. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Mr. HANLEY. Mr. Speaker, I join with my colleagues today in paying homage and tribute to our late, beloved majority leader, HALE BOGGS.

HALE was one of the first Members to approach me back when I was a freshman. He offered his assistance at that time, and, believe me, I often requested and received it during the ensuing 8 years we served here together.

His death last year came as a terrible shock to me, as it did to all of us.

While we are paying proper tribute to his memory here in the Chamber today, I think the most fitting memorial to his service in the Congress has already been struck by his former constituents. They have sent us his lively and dedicated wife, Lindy, to carry on the tremendous work he began.

To Lindy and her fine family, I reiterate my sympathies.

Mr. RHODES. Mr. Speaker, in this tribute to our late and beloved colleague, HALE BOGGS, I could dwell at length upon his many attributes which have made his loss so keenly and personally felt by Americans everywhere. I will refrain from doing so because I believe that his warmth of personality, his dedication and love of America have long been known to our fellowmen.

I would like instead to comment on our personal relationship. We were old friends, and had very much in common. I admired and liked HALE BOGGS. We belonged to the same national fraternity. Our wives are good friends. I miss him greatly, and the friendship which we shared for so many years, Mr. Chairman, the passage of time has not and will not lessen the sense of loss we feel, and it is certainly befitting that we honor him in this Chamber today.

Mr. KARTH. Mr. Speaker, today we honor a friend and colleague with our words. That, however, cannot compare with the deeds performed by this man which honor him far more than any words we may speak. For HALE BOGGS was a man who represented the very best qualities to be found in a legislator. Proud, yet humble, he was a man who knew not only the glories of victory, but the agony of defeat.

As a friend and colleague I remember him most for his conscience. For here was a man who voted his strongly held beliefs in the dignity and rights of all men when such a stand was unpopular in his part of the country. HALE BOGGS could have taken the easy way out, but he would not let the promise of success at the polls sway him from his beliefs. He was a leader, a leader in the best sense of the word. Not like the leader in the French Revolution who said—

There go my people, I must find out where they are going so I can lead them.

No, he was the leader who provided true leadership through the legislative maze, respecting dissenting points of view, and then bringing about positive, affirmative action.

We in the House will all miss HALE BOGGS. But the country will miss him even more.

Mr. SCHNEEBELI. Mr. Speaker, after serving on the Ways and Means Committee with HALE BOGGS for 10 years, from 1961 through 1970, I feel I have learned to appreciate the many abilities and tremendous capacity of this great man. His limitless energies and broad accomplishments attest to the fine character of the majority leader. As majority whip for 9 years and then majority leader for almost 2 years, he was constantly in the forefront as one of the party leaders for many years; and he performed his job admirably.

HALE had an active and quick mind. Without hesitation he absorbed the many and comprehensive problems that continually confronted him; his logic and clear deductions were outstanding.

I remember HALE well in one of the first fast-reading courses conducted on the Hill in the early sixties. Among the dozen or more Congressmen enrolled in the course, HALE was always among the top three in speed reading and subsequent understanding. This was but one example of his quick and absorbing mind. He was outstanding in so many areas: logical thought, leadership, loyalty, skilled debating, articulate—a consummate Congressman.

Not only was HALE outstanding in partisan matters, he was most helpful in many bipartisan and nonpartisan matters. Witness his great contribution to the Joint Economic Committee, as a delegate to the Interparliamentary Union, and particularly as a valued member of the President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy.

Here was truly an outstanding American. We shall all miss HALE BOGGS—the American public his many friends, his congressional colleagues, and his fine family.

Mr. NICHOLS. Mr. Speaker, I, like every Member of this body, was saddened last fall to learn of the tragic accident that claimed the lives of our distinguished colleagues, the great majority leader from

Alabama's sister State of Louisiana and Nick Begich, the freshman Representative from the State of Alaska.

HALE BOGGS was my friend and he went out of his way on more than one occasion to be of assistance. It was HALE BOGGS who offered to let me use a little of his patronage—built up through his years of service in this body—to employ a deserving youngster from my home State of Alabama in summer work on Capitol Hill. HALE BOGGS was that type of leader and he was a great adviser and teacher to junior Members. He was particularly good to those of us from the southern region of our great country who found comradeship with our distinguished colleague from the bayou country of Louisiana.

But HALE BOGGS' interest in the Members of this body went much further than the South for his untimely death came about as a result of his efforts to assist another Member from the far off State of Alaska.

Mr. Speaker, we all miss our colleague every day that this Congress meets. We miss his friendly smile, his pat on the back and the leadership role that he displayed time after time in the well of this House in pursuit of causes he believed to be just and honorable and in the best interest of these United States.

My deepest sympathy to his family—his three children and his lovely wife who was overwhelmingly elected to replace her late husband. The magnitude of her victory is ample testimony of the deep esteem and affection which Louisiana held for HALE BOGGS.

Mr. ICHORD. I rise, on this occasion, in deep sadness for it is very difficult, even now, to acknowledge the passing of such a dear colleague as the man we honor today. Words are really quite inadequate to express the regret over the loss of a man we knew so well who was, until so recently, one of the key figures in the Congress and whose leadership in the House of Representatives was so vital to our day-to-day activities.

HALE BOGGS was, for me, far more than just another fellow Congressman. He was a tried and true friend and a man of great personal courage, stamina, and integrity.

When first elected in the 77th Congress, he was the youngest Democrat in the House. Soon after, World War II exploded on our lives and he left the sanctuary of this House to serve as an officer in the Naval Reserve and the U.S. Maritime Service until 1946. Then he

was returned to our ranks by the New Orleans constituency he was to serve so well.

His legislative ability and alertness were quickly recognized and from the 81st Congress to the 91st, he was a most distinguished member of the Ways and Means Committee. In the 82d Congress he chaired the Committee on Elections and was ranking minority Member of the 83d as well as chairman of the Special Committee on Narcotics. In the 84th, he became chairman of the Subcommittee on Highway Financing and, from the 84th through the 86th Congresses was chairman of the Subcommittee on Foreign Trade Policy. He chaired the Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy in the 85th and all subsequent Congresses and from the 87th through the 91st was a member of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation. This was merely the tip of the iceberg that was this giant of a man for he also served on the Interparliamentary Union from 1948-62, on several Presidential commissions and as a power in the highest echelons of the Democratic Party.

HALE had a remarkable way of remembering faces and had a ready smile and greeting for hundreds of staff employees on the Hill as well as for the foremost figures in our Government. My experience was that he always could find time in a very hectic and demanding schedule to give a helping hand to his associates when his legislative counsel was needed or desired.

It is fitting that we remember him as a strong family man, because we are now honored with the presence in this House of his lovely widow Lindy who is so ably carrying forward the work HALE did for the Second District of Louisiana, for his State, and for his Nation.

HALE BOGGS made his indelible mark on the political history of America, but of even greater personal meaning, as I speak today, is the fact that he made his mark on all who served with him in this House. We shall never forget him and the invaluable contribution he made to the America he loved so very much.

Mr. SIKES. Mr. Speaker, when HALE BOGGS left us on October 16, 1972, it was a sad day for the Congress, the State of Louisiana, and the Nation and for a host of dedicated friends.

My friendship with HALE began when he came to Congress in 1941. We came here together as freshman Members of the House and I watched with admiration as he rose within the ranks of Democratic

Members to become Democratic whip in 1962 and majority leader in 1971.

HALE was able and willing to build a successful House career by supporting the legislative goals of the national party. He was a true and loyal party man, but he believed in the two-party system and he helped to strengthen it.

But HALE BOGGS was more than a loyal party man although it was on a party mission that he came to an untimely and tragic end. HALE BOGGS was a loyal and dedicated American always placing the good of country first as he saw it. As a member of the Ways and Means Committee, he helped formulate free trade agreements, cosponsored the 1962 Trade Expansion Act, and served as chairman of the Joint Committee on Foreign Economic Policy.

HALE's rise to positions of authority and responsibility in the House began in 1955 when the late great Speaker Sam Rayburn and Majority Leader Carl Albert appointed him deputy Democratic whip. Throughout a long career as a member of the party leadership, he handled his duties with ability, dignity, and in recognition of the responsibilities of Congress in shaping the future course of America.

I am happy that his place in this Chamber has been taken by his beloved wife Lindy, who stood by his side for the many years HALE so ably represented the people of Louisiana. She is a worthy successor of whom we are very proud.

No one can ever truly replace HALE BOGGS in this body. He left a most impressive record of leadership, and he was at the height of his capabilities when an aircraft accident took him from us.

I shall always cherish my memories of our friendship and the Congress will forever take note of the respect and esteem in which he was held by all who knew him regardless of political persuasion.

HALE BOGGS is gone, but his record stands. He wrote his page in history in large shining letters. HALE BOGGS was a great American.

Mr. JONES of Oklahoma. Mr. Speaker, as a freshman Congressman I have not had the privilege of serving in this House with the late HALE BOGGS. I looked forward very much to working with him in the House of Representatives, for I had come to know and respect HALE BOGGS during the time I served as assistant to President Lyndon Johnson. HALE BOGGS was a statesman, humanitarian, and gentleman.

I believe that HALE BOGGS personified many of those qualities we

admire most in our elected officials. He was loyal to his party, yet he exhibited an independence of thought and action that inspired the confidence of men and women of both parties. He was responsive to the needs and wishes of his constituents, yet he knew that he represented all Americans. HALE BOGGS was a man of firm convictions, yet he was progressive in thought and receptive to new ideas.

HALE BOGGS was in the tradition of the great leaders of the House of Representatives who, over a period of almost two centuries, have exerted a profound and beneficial influence on the American political process. He had many years of service yet to give his country, and we shall miss his leadership.

Another measure of the outstanding qualities of HALE BOGGS was the strength, direction, and devotion he gave to his family. I had the privilege of attending law school with his son, Tom Boggs, and through that association had the opportunity to know the Boggs family. The two Boggs daughters, Tom, the grandchildren and, of course, Mrs. Hale Boggs, Lindy, were a model American family with true devotion and commitment to America. HALE BOGGS instilled a sense of patriotism and duty in his family and in all who knew him.

For those who were privileged to have HALE BOGGS as a friend, the loss is particularly great. He was a warm, generous person who enriched the lives of all who knew him.

Mrs. GRASSO. Mr. Speaker, with profound respect, I rise to pay tribute to the memory of our friend and colleague, HALE BOGGS. Through conscientious dedication to his duties, hard work, and resourcefulness, HALE BOGGS earned the praise and gratitude, the respect and affection of his friends and fellow Americans.

His untimely disappearance on October 16, 1972, was indeed a terrible and shocking tragedy. It took a great leader from the Congress of the United States, a dedicated public servant from the people of Louisiana, and a loving husband and father from his wife and children.

HALE BOGGS served his State, the Nation, and his party with honor and distinction that reflected his love of country and consideration for the rights of people. For 24 years, he was the proud Representative of the people of Louisiana's Second District. He demonstrated the qualities of leadership and the power of persuasion in his unselfish service as a member of the Committee on Ways and Means,

the deputy Democratic whip, and the Democratic whip. The faith and trust that we had in HALE BOGGS was again evidenced in 1971 when we chose him as our majority leader. I well remember my association with HALE BOGGS as cochairman of the Democratic Platform Committee in 1968, the depths of his consideration and profound knowledge of the vital issues.

For those of us who were fortunate enough to know at firsthand the special qualities of intellect and the depth of concern of a man who pursued a better life for all the people of our Nation, we pay tribute to HALE BOGGS, and rededicate ourselves to realizing and living the dreams that HALE BOGGS hoped to see and live.

Mr. LONG of Maryland. Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was an energetic man. He was loyal to his Nation and his party. His untimely death is mourned by each of us who had the opportunity to know him.

HALE BOGGS was a masterful legislator. He understood the role of the Congress in our three-branch Government. He understood compromise with honor—the key to so much of the work the Congress does in passing legislation. He understood the people of this country and their desire for an effective Government which respects their rights and their individuality.

HALE BOGGS was a congenial man. I had many occasions to introduce him to constituents. He was always gracious and sincerely interested. At the annual parties he and our charming colleague Lindy hosted, he made each person feel a specially honored guest in his home.

HALE BOGGS had agreed to speak at a dinner in my honor, which was to have taken place shortly after his return to Washington from Alaska. His death in the plane crash was a particularly poignant loss for me. I had looked forward to presenting him to my friends in Baltimore and giving them the opportunity to meet this great man. I had looked forward to many years of friendship with him. I had looked forward to his continued leadership and wise counsel, I am glad for the memories I do have.

It was a privilege to have known him.

Mr. COLLINS. Mr. Speaker, today we are paying respect to HALE BOGGS. For these many months we have all been thinking

about HALE and we have all missed him. It was many months ago that his plane was first reported as missing in Alaska. Today I am proud to join in adding a word of appreciation for the great friend and leader we had in HALE BOGGS. As I remember HALE the first thing that always comes to my mind is his pleasant, delightful smile. He had such a wonderful twinkle in his eyes and whenever HALE greeted you it would give you a lift that would keep you on the upbeat for an hour.

As the leader on the floor this upbeat positive outlook was most important in providing the momentum for progressive legislation. HALE was well liked by all of his colleagues on both sides of the aisle. But even more than the friendship was the strong respect that we all had for him. HALE BOGGS had a great brain and a keen intellectual perception. He knew the essential elements that must be a part of every bill and he fought to see that they were there when the final votes were counted.

We all miss HALE BOGGS. His strong character and forceful personality will be remembered always. And we are so proud to welcome Lindy Boggs who carries on the fine tradition from the Second District in Louisiana. Lindy came up here with such a resounding victory which expressed so well the sentiment and confidence that Louisiana has in her carrying on the great Boggs' tradition. Louisiana lost one of the greatest gentlemen who ever represented this fine State in Congress.

Mr. MOSS. Mr. Speaker, for 8 years, I had the experience of working closely with HALE as his deputy when he served as majority whip of the House, 8 years which afforded me a rare opportunity to better know a most complex human being.

HALE was a person of great courage and unusual feeling of compassion for all people. As I observed him on a number of occasions, it took far more courage to cast his votes on behalf of civil rights, for example, than it ever did in making those same votes coming from a district such as I represented.

HALE was committed to the improvement of the lot of those least able to protect themselves.

It is not necessary for any Member of this body to rise to their feet and give testimony to the effectiveness of HALE BOGGS as a legislator or to pay tribute to his efforts on behalf of the underprivileged.

His record over many, many years of congressional service speak more fully than any words which could be voiced here today.

Many things come to mind as a result of serving with HALE BOGGS. I recall the great pleasures he derived from the little things: Pride in his children, the love for his grandchildren, the warm and tender manner in which he always discussed his wife.

He also loved a battle. He was a hard and effective fighter in furthering legislative objectives, but he also was fair at all times, and he did not seek to injure or to degrade or to destroy in disagreement. He loved to win, but it was an impersonal thing, and when the battle was over, there was never any lingering bitterness.

He was in the truest sense of the word a legislator, a role he filled with pride. He could have taken others, but none as satisfying to him.

The tragic loss of HALE and of our colleague, Nick Begich in the plane crash in Alaska occurred with such suddenness as to have a sense of unreality about it.

My sympathy goes to all members of the family. I know in their sorrow they also have a sense of pride in the accomplishments over a period of more than 30 years of public service of HALE BOGGS.

Ms. ABZUG. Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was of this House. He first came here in 1941, a few weeks shy of his 27th birthday and, with the exception of several years spent in the service during the Second World War, served ably and well from then until he disappeared last October during a plane flight in Alaska. From 1962 until 1970, he served as Democratic whip, and during the 92d Congress, he was our majority leader.

Though—like every Member of the House—he had and fulfilled a responsibility to the people of his district, HALE was extremely active in the concerns of the Nation as a whole. He served as a member of the Warren Commission, which investigated the death of President John F. Kennedy and the circumstances surrounding it. He was a member of the National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence, which spoke in clear and unequivocal terms of the need for racial justice in this country, and he was one the the first Representatives from the South to lend his support to civil rights legislation. Also active in his party, he served as chairman of the Platform Committee at the 1968 Democratic Convention.

HALE BOGGS was indeed of this House, and this House—as well as his family and his country—have just reason to be proud of his fine record of public service. It is consoling to know that Congresswoman Lindy Boggs is making a place here in her own right, but we do miss him.

Mr. CHAPPELL. Mr. Speaker, seldom in the scheme of life today has there appeared one so able and talented as our absent and beloved colleague, HALE BOGGS. Never have I known a man less concerned for self, nor more determined for mankind than he.

His willingness to assist others was perpetual, his tolerance for an opposing view unlimited, his energy for service boundless, and his love for family and country everlasting.

I join in this moment of tribute to our friend, HALE BOGGS, with a sad heart for his absence, but with deep appreciation for the greatness of his life.

Mr. O'HARA. Mr. Speaker, I wish to associate myself with the sentiments expressed by so many of the Members in this Chamber this afternoon, as we pause to pay respect to the memory of the late HALE BOGGS.

Life seems filled these days with senseless tragedy, and I count the untimely death of HALE BOGGS as one such tragedy. To pass from this life after we have completed our earthly mission is one thing. To have lived life to its full, and to have served to the extent of our capacities over a long period of years robs death of some of its bitterness. But to be struck down in the prime, as HALE BOGGS was—while there were still challenges to be met and mastered, and while there were new directions into which he could have led our party and our Government—this, Mr. Speaker, makes the loss so tragic.

HALE BOGGS was a great Democrat, a man who served his party with distinction. He was an outstanding Member of the House of Representatives, and he served this body with equal distinction as a Member and as the majority leader. Forceful, articulate, courageous, HALE BOGGS brought to the House a dedication to the processes of government that these challenging times demand.

Most of all, Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was my friend. There is special comradeship which we share in this body—a comradeship

born of the knowledge that we serve the Republic in the same way that our forebearers have served in this body for nearly two centuries. All of us value that shared experience. But with HALE BOGGS, my relationship was closer than that. It was a friendship which I valued; and it is as a friend, as well as a distinguished leader, that HALE BOGGS will be missed by this Member.

Mr. CARNEY of Ohio. Mr. Speaker, it is with a deep feeling of personal grief that I address the House on this occasion, in memory of our late good friend and colleague, the Honorable HALE BOGGS of the Louisiana Second District. A Member of this House for almost three decades, he was regarded by associates on both sides of the aisle as a man of principle and fearless dedication to his personal philosophy.

HALE BOGGS was a reformer in a world crying for reform and a born leader in almost every situation. When machine politics corrupted the political apparatus in his hometown of New Orleans, he helped in the creation and promotion of the People's League—a reform movement which swept to victory in 1940, nominating BOGGS for Congress in the Democratic primary, and securing his election. Failing at renomination 2 years later, he retired from politics momentarily to serve the country as an active member of the Naval Reserve, in World War II. Upon the close of hostilities he was returned to Congress where he continued to serve without interruption, for the remainder of his life.

His talents and interests were many and varied. Initially a member of the Committee on Banking and Currency, he was appointed in 1949—at the urging of Speaker Sam Rayburn—to the Committee on Ways and Means, where his knowledge of money matters proved invaluable to the Congress and the country.

Throughout the years of the Truman, Eisenhower, Kennedy, and Johnson administrations, HALE BOGGS was ever in the forefront of the struggle for a peaceful world and a strong national economy, in the best interests of all Americans. He was prominently associated with legislation dealing with adequate trade policies, equitable taxation, stringent control of narcotics violators, interstate highway construction, flood control and harbor developments, the merchant marine, sugar controls, housing, and social security.

An advocate of racial segregation in the earlier stages of his career, he would emerge in the 1960's as the friend of the civil rights cause, for which he was to work with all of his remarkable ability. Steadily ascending the ladder of party leadership, he served as deputy Democratic whip for three Congresses, whip for four Congresses, and as majority leader of the 92d Congress.

His personal popularity in this body was remarkable in itself, and his political performance even more so.

He was indeed an extraordinary man, worthy of the highest praise.

Mr. MADDEN. Mr. Speaker, I wish to commend the chairman of the Armed Services Committee, Congressman F. Edward Hébert, for reserving this time for the colleagues who served in Congress with our great congressional leader, HALE BOGGS to eulogize a great American. The unfortunate and regrettable termination of his life in an Alaskan airplane disaster still lurks in the minds of his congressional colleagues and all Americans who are familiar with his great public service over many years in the U.S. Congress.

HALE BOGGS possessed an outstanding personality, a brilliant mind, and by reason of his preliminary and Tulane University education he was well equipped for a successful public life as one of the outstanding Congressmen of this century. He served in World War II, both in the U.S. Naval Reserve and the U.S. Maritime Service. His service in Congress extended over a period of approximately 32 years. He was a member of many military, patriotic, and religious organizations. His service in Congress on the Ways and Means Committee and as a delegate to the Interparliamentary Union and other special congressional committees, including majority whip and majority leader, was recognized by all his colleagues as well as the American public as outstanding.

I am happy today that his colleagues in Congress have set aside this time to pay tribute to his accomplishments as one of America's great congressional statesmen and all his acquaintances and the American public who knew of his superb Government service both military and legislative mourn his passing.

We all extend to his wife Lindy, our freshman colleague in Congress, and his family our deepest sympathy in their bereavement.

Mr. ANDERSON of California. Mr. Speaker, I join my colleagues today in paying respect to our beloved colleague, HALE BOGGS of

Louisiana. He deserves high commendation from his congressional colleagues, his Louisiana constituency, and from the American people. He was a dedicated public servant and a fine man.

Courageously and competently, HALE BOGGS dealt with difficult issues which faced the Congress, and expended great energy toward building public policy that would serve the Nation.

HALE BOGGS' achievements are almost too numerous to mention.

He was the youngest Democrat in the House when he was first elected in 1940 at the age of 26.

After service in World War II, he returned to Congress in 1946 and was reelected to each succeeding Congress. In 1962, HALE BOGGS was named House majority whip and in January of 1971, he was elected House majority leader.

As chairman of the Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy of the Joint House-Senate Economic Committee, he promoted foreign trade.

As a concerned citizen, and Congressman, he fought for legislation which benefited all the people. He fought for legislation which was designed to relieve those problems which had been with us all too long.

As a leader, HALE BOGGS was active in the fight for increased social security, for needed public works, for essential housing, and for numerous other areas.

It is a great honor and privilege to have known and served with HALE BOGGS.

My wife Lee joins me in extending our deepest sympathy to Lindy Boggs and their children.

Mr. RANGEL. Mr. Speaker, I join my colleagues today in remembering and honoring the memory of a great Congressman and a good and decent man.

THOMAS HALE BOGGS contributed much to the Democratic Party, the House of Representatives, and the United States.

As a fighter for liberal foreign trade policies and effective narcotics laws, he had no equal in Congress.

As a supporter and leader of the Democratic Party, he was ever enthusiastic and loyal. Fittingly, it was on a mission of support for a Democratic congressional candidate that he lost his life.

As an American concerned about the direction that we were heading in, he sought to contribute his ideas, his energy and his many talents to make this country a better place in which to live.

For all of us in this body who had the good fortune to serve with him, and for all who had the fortune to be served by him, HALE BOGGS will be sorely missed.

But in his too short time on this Earth, he performed noble services above and beyond the call of duty. For this we can only be eternally grateful.

Mr. REUSS. Mr. Speaker, I welcome this opportunity to join in paying tribute to our late colleague, our distinguished majority leader, and my close personal friend, HALE BOGGS.

HALE was overwhelmingly elected House majority leader by his Democratic colleagues on January 19, 1971, and was our chief spokesman and floor leader during the 92d Congress.

This leadership responsibility given him was a recognition of the significant role he played in passing almost all the landmark bills of the 1960's. It would be impossible to list all the laws which he helped enact, but I would mention the Higher Education Acts of 1963 and 1965, the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Act of 1964, the Manpower Development and Training Act of 1962, and the Tax Reform Act of 1969, to name just a few.

In the field of trade and commerce, HALE made even more notable achievements, working tirelessly for the liberalization of world trade. Since 1947, he had coauthored every reciprocal trade agreements act passed by Congress.

I had the particular pleasure of working with HALE on the Joint Economic Committee. As chairman of that committee's Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy, he directed extensive hearings on the future course and scope of U.S. foreign trade policy. These hearings engendered the support of Congress and the public for the Trade Expansion Act of 1962 and the Kennedy Round of trade negotiations which followed. This act provided the greatest opportunity in the history of our Nation for the expansion and liberalizations of world trade.

HALE BOGGS will be missed not only because of his outstanding achievements but because he was a true gentleman always. His tragic death last year is a loss to his family, the Congress, Louisiana, and the Nation.

I extend my sincere sympathy to his wife, Representative Lindy Boggs, their son, Thomas Hale, Jr., and two daughters, Mrs. Paul Sigmund and Mrs. Steven Roberts.

We all miss him.

Mr. ANDREWS of North Dakota. Mr. Speaker, I was greatly saddened to learn of the death of my friend and congressional colleague, HALE BOGGS.

In the passing of HALE BOGGS, the Nation has lost one of its greatest citizens, and the South has lost one of its most respected and eloquent spokesmen; and the State of Louisiana, one of her greatest sons.

In the U.S. House, HALE BOGGS had few peers. His great power was unquestioned, yet he took time to advise and work with the most junior Members.

The Congress was his life, and his State and Nation always were the beneficiaries of his tireless energy. His wisdom and integrity were legendary in the Halls of Congress. His advice was constantly sought by his colleagues as well as the Presidents under whom he served.

Mr. METCALFE. Mr. Speaker, today we pay tribute to a former Member of Congress and the former majority leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, the late HALE BOGGS.

HALE BOGGS became the youngest Member of this body when, at the age of 26, he was elected to the House in 1940. With the exception of a 3-year period during which he served as an officer in the U.S. Naval Reserve and the U.S. Maritime Service, he served as a Member of this body.

At the present time there is much discussion about the viability of the Congress as a co-equal branch of the Government. Under the present leadership we have reestablished the Policy and Steering Committee and have moved to utilize the Democratic Caucus more. Yet, in the early part of 1972, HALE BOGGS sensed the need for this body to reassert its constitutional prerogatives. He stated:

I have been here for awhile and I just do not believe the time has come in this body when we are required to legislate on the theory that someone in the Executive Branch, the President, is going to veto what we do. If that is the case then we really do not need a legislative body. All we really have to do is find out exactly what the Executive wants and just put an OK on it and send it down there.

HALE BOGGS was a man who voted his conscience and his yea vote for the 1968 Civil Rights Act almost led to his defeat because of his stand on this issue. He won the 1968 election with a mere 4,000 vote majority.

When he later discussed his reason for this vote he stated:

With the assassination of Martin Luther King and the tremendous turmoil it caused the country, and the fact that I consistently voted to draft black boys and men to fight in Vietnam, like anyone else, I just decided that I just couldn't in good conscience not vote for the bill . . . I have reached the conclusion that there isn't any way on earth to deny full citizenship to any American regardless of what his background might be.

HALE was also a strong supporter of antipoverty legislation. One union official in New Orleans stated that he was "the only Member of Congress in the State with guts enough to support OEO."

In addition to being an able leader within this body and a true representative of the needs of his constituents, HALE was also a Democrat vitally concerned that this party remain in control of the House. And it was his commitment to this idea that led him to go into many districts during the election of 1972 to campaign for Members of the House. And it was on one of these trips while campaigning for a fellow Member of the House, the Honorable Nick Begich of Alaska, that HALE BOGGS met his tragic death.

He has given us an example. He has articulated goals and objectives. The greatest memorial to this man's tireless activity on the part of his party and his country is to continue where he left off. He clearly marked a trail. Let us continue to work to achieve the goals that HALE desired.

Mr. MURPHY of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join my colleagues in this special remembrance of Majority Leader HALE BOGGS.

HALE BOGGS warmly welcomed me as a freshman Member of the 92d Congress. He was at the disposal of all freshman Members to assist with adjustment problems and answer our innumerable questions.

It was initially surprising that a man of his stature who had long been a Representative in Washington had such a keen understanding of how confusing one's first days in Washington could be.

He made it clear from the beginning that his door was always open and that no question or problem was too small. He felt responsible for all freshmen as well as senior Members and it was this same sense of responsibility for others that eventually led to his death. He traveled extensively to assist others in difficult elections and he was readily available for advice and consultations on the same.

Conversation always flowed easily with HALE BOGGS. He was not a pretentious man and he did not associate with men who pretended to be something they were not. Frankness was his trademark. You could disagree with what the majority leader said but there was never any question as to what he said.

He did not hedge on issues. His approach was direct and to the point. While he was a politician's politician, he represented the best aspects of the American political scene. He deeply cared for his fellow Americans, Democrats and Republicans alike, and he ably served the American system he believed in.

But just as I was beginning to know this straightforward and likeable guy, he was taken away from us.

It is not enough to say that we miss him. The Congress is diminished by his loss.

Mr. BENNETT. Mr. Speaker, the tragic death of our late majority leader, HALE BOGGS, is the saddest event to have occurred in our midst in many years. We have seen many of our great national leaders pass from the active arena by retirement and death; but I recall none before who has tragically left us in the zenith of achievement with many years of service to be expected for the future.

HALE truly left us in the prime of his life and career; but he left behind a record of solid achievement which will always be a perfect memorial to his memory and an inspiration for the future. I admired him greatly and appreciated his easily shared friendship and helpful concern for all our Members on both sides of the aisle.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Lindy, his beloved wife, and now, herself, our beloved colleague. Like her husband, she has the warm concern for mankind which will make her career a joy to us and benefit to all Americans.

Mr. YATES. Mr. Speaker, 7 months have gone by since the tragic loss of HALE BOGGS and yet I feel his presence still in this Chamber.

Perhaps that is because HALE was so much a part of this House, as much a part of its history as the great men who have preceded him here and as much a part of their presence.

I first met HALE when I came to Congress for the first time in January 1949. We were both much younger then and HALE was under consideration for appointment to the Committee on Ways and Means. Our mutual friend from Chicago, Congressman Tom O'Brien, introduced me to HALE and later said:

He deserves the spot—you remember what a great fight he put up for the Housing Bill.

That was HALE, always fighting for the right. In this case it was the housing bill, in which he carried the fight for the rights of all Americans to a decent home in a good neighborhood where they could raise their children, which were the words as I recall them used in the preamble of the bill.

But housing was only one of his great interests. He was interested in his fellow man, in humanity, in every measure that advanced the cause of bettering the situation of his fellow man. He was proud to be a Democrat because of the party's program, stemming from the New Deal and he was proud to fight to carry into fruition the great social programs which have become a part of the fabric of this Nation.

HALE was one of the warmest, friendliest men I have ever known, always ready to help, he would reply in his booming southern voice, "Why of course, I will be glad to do it," whenever there was an opportunity to be of help.

He loved his country and its traditions, a southerner essentially, he was nevertheless a real legislator who was always concerned with his country's needs. He was one of the first to recognize and lead the way for improved racial relations in the South.

I remember as though it was yesterday the night before he took off for Alaska. It was late, very late on that Saturday night. We were both leaning on the desk in front of the Speaker's rostrum when he said to me that he had to get up very early to go to Alaska to speak at a dinner for Nick Begich. He was tired, he said, and he did not want to go, but he had given his commitment to Begich and that was that. HALE never went back on his word. He never returned from that trip to Alaska.

This House is a better institution for HALE BOGGS having been here as a legislator and as a leader. I am a better legislator and a better person for having known HALE BOGGS as a close friend.

My wife Addie joins me in expressing to HALE's lovely wife Lindy and to his family our deepest and warmest sympathy.

Mr. VANIK. Mr. Speaker, my friend HALE BOGGS, has been sorely missed during these past months.

As those of us know so well in this Chamber, HALE was a mighty champion of causes which took courage and conviction. With HALE as its advocate, a cause could have no more loyal or devoted friend. A man of liberal views toward integration and other sensitive issues in his district, he helped to lead our country toward a greater sense of social justice.

That same devotion and loyalty was HALE's hallmark of friendship. HALE and Lindy and my wife and I shared many special moments together. We worked together to plan and produce educational television programs about the Federal Government. HALE and Lindy actively participated in numerous other activities involving the Democratic Party and legislative processes. When HALE committed himself to a project, the result was usually—mission accomplished.

I am grateful for having shared so many moments with a great man like HALE. There is some comfort that the work of this great man will be carried on in this House by his devoted wife, Lindy.

Although there is a vacuum when a great and good life departs, we are consoled that the high purposes and goals for which HALE BOGGS labored will be undertaken by "Lindy" Boggs, who has already proven her capability and her dedication.

Mr. KASTENMEIER. Mr. Speaker, all of us who knew HALE BOGGS and served with him in this great Chamber are both saddened and honored to speak these words of remembrance here today. For 4 years, it was my pleasure to know the warmth of Congressman Boggs' friendship, and to work with a man who made every effort to understand a point of view not his own. Like all of my colleagues, I was dismayed by his untimely death last fall.

There is no doubt that HALE and I had differing points of view on some of the important issues that came before the House, but it is also fair to say that on many others our views were similar. But

that is not really important in my assessment of the man. What is important in a House leader is the ability to take those divergent points of view that seem always to exist, reduce the heat and friction that slow progress, and make the legislation machinery work. HALE had those leadership qualities in abundance, and he served as the link of understanding among the competing qualities and interests of the House Membership. Most important, he performed those absolutely essential duties of compromise with patience and good cheer.

I was proud to serve with Congressman BOGGS—one of our great majority leaders—and I join my colleagues in mourning the death of an able legislator and gentleman from Louisiana.

Also, at this time, I would like to take just a moment to welcome Mrs. Lindy Boggs to the House, and to wish her a long and rewarding term as the Congresswoman from Louisiana's Second Congressional District. As HALE's closest adviser and most enthusiastic supporter, I have no doubt that she will carry on his tradition of being a credit to her district, her State, and her country.

Mr. DULSKI. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate having this opportunity to join my distinguished colleague from Louisiana in honoring the memory of our late majority leader.

One of HALE BOGGS' most outstanding traits was his warm and genuine interest in helping new Members adjust to the bewildering legislative demands made upon them.

There were many occasions when I visited with him about legislation, and he was unfailing in his patience and expert guidance. I respected him greatly as an able Representative of his district and as an effective leader in the House, and have fond personal memories of his helpfulness to his colleagues.

The voters of the Second District of Louisiana have wisely chosen Mrs. Boggs as his successor. Her own native capabilities and years of experience at his side qualify her to carry on her husband's dedicated representation, and it is a tribute to both of them that their constituents have affirmed their service.

HALE BOGGS was a good friend, a fine man, and an accomplished legislator. His Congress, his State, and his country will miss him greatly.

Mrs. MINK. Mr. Speaker, all of us are deeply saddened by the untimely death of the Honorable HALE BOGGS of Louisiana, the distinguished majority leader of the House.

HALE BOGGS was chosen by the Members of the majority party as their leader. That in itself is a remarkable tribute to the esteem in which he was held by his colleagues.

In his position as leader, however, HALE BOGGS went far beyond the formal responsibilities bestowed by this office. He displayed true friendship and service to all of his colleagues in whatever aspect of their congressional duties might require his assistance.

It was this spirit of dedication that led to his loss in an airplane flight over Alaska with the Honorable Nick Begich and two other men. He had undertaken this hazardous and ill-fated trip as part of his service to others. There was no requirement that he do so, but HALE BOGGS felt that he could assist a colleague and he attempted to help Nick Begich by traveling with him to Alaska.

By bringing a personal touch of loyalty and commitment to his duties, HALE BOGGS earned the trust and affection of all. As an outstanding legislator, his contributions to the work of the House will be long remembered. Through his industry, sagacity, and leadership ability, he left a legacy of achievement that will stand among the foremost in House annals.

In addition to being a personal tragedy, the accident that resulted in the loss of HALE BOGGS inflicted a grievous loss on the Congress. We are deeply saddened by this tragedy affecting a great Louisianian and great American.

Mr. PRICE of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, today we eulogize a man who ranks as one of our Nation's greatest legislative leaders, the Honorable HALE BOGGS of Louisiana, whose distinguished career was ended in a tragic plane crash in Alaska last fall. None of us in the House, and I daresay in Congress as a whole, could believe the report that HALE BOGGS and Nick Begich were lost over Alaskan territory. It is still difficult for me to accept the fact that neither man is here today.

Controversial, mercurial, and brilliant have been used to describe HALE BOGGS. These words do not capture the force or the vitality

of this man. Few men who have served in the House of Representatives have had the impact of HALE BOGGS. As majority whip and majority leader, HALE BOGGS was an effective and articulate legislator who fought vigorously for his beliefs.

Those beliefs made HALE BOGGS a leader of national stature. His courageous votes in support of those principles in the face of heavy opposition in his district demonstrated his commitment to this Nation. More than his leadership positions in the House, more than his leadership roles in the Democratic Party, HALE BOGGS standing as a national leader was based on his unswerving loyalty to the constitutional principles to which this Nation is committed.

HALE BOGGS believed deeply in the Democratic Party as the vehicle to realize these ideals. He worked tirelessly on behalf of fellow Democrats. Last year HALE BOGGS and his gracious wife, Lindy, were kind enough to appear at a testimonial dinner held on my behalf. Even in his death HALE BOGGS was working to help a fellow Democrat.

Truly, the American people lost one of their great legislators. The people of the Second District of Louisiana lost a great Congressman. Fortunately, an able successor was elected. I refer, of course, to the Honorable Corrine Boggs, widow of HALE BOGGS. Solace for HALE BOGGS' loss can be taken in Lindy Boggs' succession. I know, however, that Lindy Boggs wishes the circumstances were entirely different.

Mr. DORN. Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was one of the truly great all-time leaders in the history of Congress. He possessed the qualifications so essential to great leadership. He had a persuasive personality, rare oratorical ability, integrity, and a love for the House as a traditional American institution. He was devoted to the American ideal of an elective body directly responsive to the wishes of the people. He ably defended the prerogatives, ideals, and images of this House as the greatest deliberative body on earth.

HALE BOGGS believed in the American dream of equal justice and economic opportunity. He was ahead of his time in fighting for the rights of all of our people, regardless of origin or racial characteristics. He championed the cause of the underprivileged, the handicapped and oppressed. We shall always remember his stirring speech to the House advocating civil rights legislation. He had the courage

to stand virtually alone because he believed that all of our citizens were endowed with certain inalienable rights.

HALE BOGGS once told us he was defeated for high statewide office by a last-minute rumor that he was associated with Communists—a malicious rumor concocted and spread systematically by certain individuals. After the election HALE said that his hatred of these individuals consumed his every thought and action. He had difficulty sleeping and eating. He developed a nervous condition. Suddenly HALE realized that he was destroying himself—his opponents were all smiles, victorious and celebrating. His hate was not hurting them—only himself. HALE said he went to Mass one morning and decided to dismiss hate from his being. From that day HALE started upward on his journey to becoming majority leader of this body. Yes, Mr. Speaker, love builds—hate destroys.

HALE BOGGS was an all-American Congressman. He legislated for every section of our Nation. He knew no North or South or East or West. He always supported the national interest while at the same time represented his district and his beloved New Orleans and his great State with supreme dedication and devotion.

He was a man of peace who realized that peace can only be maintained by national strength. For years HALE was a member of the great Committee on Ways and Means helped to write far-reaching legislation on social security, trade, and tax reform.

HALE BOGGS was a loyal Democrat. He loved to campaign for the principles and ideals in which he believed. I had the privilege of campaigning with HALE when he and his lovely wife Lindy campaigned with Mrs. Lyndon Johnson and her lovely daughters. This experience will always be to me a pleasant reminiscence. HALE was lost to us while campaigning for a young friend in Congress, and this effort was characteristic of him. This is a better Congress and a better Nation, and the cause of freedom is more secure, because of HALE BOGGS.

Mr. Speaker, we extend our best wishes and highest respect to Lindy Boggs. It is entirely appropriate that Lindy Boggs, equally dedicated and devoted to Louisiana and the Nation now represents the district formerly represented by our friend and former majority leader, HALE BOGGS.

Mr. KOCH. Mr. Speaker, on October 16, when Majority Leader HALE BOGGS of Louisiana was lost in Alaska, the American people were deprived of an outstanding legislator and a warm and compassionate human being.

HALE BOGGS was 26 years old when he first came to Congress in 1940, the youngest Member of the House. When the Second World War came, he left to serve in the Navy and did not return to Congress until 1947.

He quickly demonstrated his capacity for organization and leadership and was successively appointed deputy majority whip, majority whip, and in 1971 majority leader.

Although best remembered and most noted as a master parliamentarian, Representative BOGGS was also an activist in the area of trade legislation, serving as a cosponsor of the 1962 Trade Expansion Act, and chairman of the Joint House-Senate Committee on Foreign Economic Policy.

HALE BOGGS will be sorely missed, here in Congress and by the American people at large. We are fortunate in his successor, his wife, Lindy Boggs, a woman of great ability and dedicated to public service. I am proud to serve with her on the Banking and Currency Committee, where, in a brief time she has become one of the outstanding members.

Mr. MANN. Mr. Speaker, it is with deep sorrow that I rise today to eulogize our former Majority Leader HALE BOGGS, whose absence is so sharply felt by those of us who were privileged to know him.

Congressman BOGGS, was not only a dedicated and talented public servant and political leader but he possessed a rare *joie de vivre*, which particularly suited him for the difficult task of bridging ideological and regional differences in this divergent body. Will Rogers once said:

It is great to be great. It is greater to be human.

HALE BOGGS was both.

For nearly a quarter century, Congressman BOGGS was a Member of the House, ably serving the people of his Louisiana district and his party. He earned a leadership role among his colleagues, first as deputy Democratic whip, then Democratic whip, and in 1971 he became majority leader. His legislative accomplishments were numer-

ous and include the important 1962 Trade Expansion Act, which he cosponsored.

But power and prestige were only the rewards of his life, not his goals. He lived to serve and he served by giving of himself with every ounce of his wisdom and energy. The very nature of his disappearance while assisting in the reelection campaign of a junior Member is indicative of the kind of man HALE BOGGS was.

I am proud to have known him as a friend and I join with my colleagues and with the people of Louisiana and the Nation in extending to our distinguished colleague Mrs. Hale Boggs and her family our deepest sympathy on the loss of this worthy gentleman and statesman.

Mr. FRASER. Mr. Speaker, today we pay our respects and eulogize, as Chairman Hébert notes, our friend, colleague, and majority leader the late HALE BOGGS.

American poet Archibald MacLeish asked the question:

How shall freedom be defended?

HALE BOGGS' life testifies that he believed deeply in MacLeish's answer:

By arms when it is attacked by arms; by truth when it is attacked by lies; by democratic faith when it is attacked by authoritarian dogma. Always, and in the final act, by dedication and faith.

The last act of HALE BOGGS' life was on one of dedication—dedication to the democratic electoral process in a remote area far from his native Mississippi gulf coast and his home in New Orleans. The last act was one of faith in our competitive electoral system, a faith that is especially meaningful in these days of Watergate politics.

Our majority leader is gone and his loss is felt deeply by all of us. His place in this Chamber has been taken by his wife, Lindy Boggs, and we are thankful that she is here to carry on his work. We join her and her children in honoring the memory of a loving husband who was not only a respected leader, but a man of character and commitment.

Mr. ROE. Mr. Speaker, I join with my colleagues here in the Congress today in tribute to an outstanding statesman. The Honorable HALE BOGGS, our friend, colleague, and former majority leader whose

abrupt and traumatic departure from our midst is deeply mourned by all of us.

His tragic disappearance and curtailment of his professional expertise at the height of a glorious career blessed with rich wisdom born of knowledge and experience, and exemplary achievements performed through distinguished service dedicated to his fellow man has shocked and grieved our Nation.

The quality of his leadership, the vigor of his dedication to be of service, and his vast reservoir of understanding, compassion, and benevolence toward others serve as a shining beacon to light the way for all men of good faith, goodwill, and brotherhood.

I know I will never forget the warmth of HALE's personal friendship to me and in reflecting on my freshman year in the 91st Congress, I recall his good counsel and judgment as the Democratic whip of the House of Representatives a haven for comfort and learned direction to a new Congressman. It was my great pleasure and privilege to work with him.

HALE BOGGS is sorely missed by each of us as a friend and co-worker who served his country with distinction and honor for which each and every American, not only in his district, but throughout the world can indeed be justly proud. We bow in silent prayer to the memory of our former colleague and stand erect in a national salute filled with appreciation for a job well done on behalf of a grateful people.

We share the sorrow in the heart of his good wife and our new colleague, the Honorable Lindy Boggs, and all his family members and trust that they will find abiding comfort in the faith that God has given them and in the knowledge that the Honorable HALE BOGGS is resting in peace under His loving care.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for this opportunity to express my deepest sympathy and profound homage to a great American.

Mr. WYMAN, Mr. Speaker, it was a sad day indeed when Congress reconvened in January of this year without the presence of our friend HALE BOGGS, who was for so many years an esteemed and distinguished leader in this body. During his many years of outstanding service, hundreds of Members have benefited from the experience of having known and having served with HALE BOGGS.

When I first came to Congress 11 years ago, HALE BOGGS was then in a leadership position. From his leadership and example I learned much in the ways of this great legislative forum.

The people of his district were fortunate, indeed, to have had his able representation. The Congress was equally fortunate to have had him as a leader. He was competent, capable, efficient, and effective. Beyond that he was a friend to all.

His presence here will be sorely missed, but his memory will long be with us. To his lovely wife and family and to his many friends, go the heartfelt sympathy of Virginia and myself and comfort in the knowledge that HALE would be proud that Lindy has been chosen to fill his seat.

Mr. ADAMS. Mr. Speaker, it is with a sad heart that I join my colleagues in paying tribute to the memory of our late majority leader, HALE BOGGS. At a time when politics and the political process are being spoken of with scorn and derision, HALE BOGGS' life stands as an example of political courage and service to his country. A man of the South, and devoted to the city he so ably represented, he never faltered if the dictates of his conscience told him that he must rise above regional interests. We remember his courageous stand in favor of civil rights, when he put his own political career on the line for what he thought was just. We remember his fearless criticism of creeping tyranny of government, a criticism now being given frightening justification by the Watergate revelation.

His election as majority leader shows the regard in which we held him. We not only admired his political leadership, but welcomed his wit, his charm, and his never failing courtesy. His tragic loss took away from us one of the Members most devoted to this House. We will miss him. We are fortunate his constituency has chosen as his successor the distinguished gentlewoman from Louisiana, Lindy Boggs. To her, I offer my deepest sympathy and my thanks that she will carry on the great tradition of public service of our friend, HALE BOGGS.

Mr. PEPPER. Mr. Speaker, it is our sad privilege to pay feeble words of tribute to a fallen leader and a departed friend, HALE BOGGS. Great leader he was—born to lead, strong, brave, stalwart, and dedicated to his cause as well as to the forces he led.

Who can forget the moving eloquence, the command of his subject, the force of his appeal, when he spoke to this House on matters close to his heart—issues meaningful to him because they were meaningful to the people of this country. He has left an indelible imprint upon the laws of this land in the legislation which he has authored or sponsored or had a part in the passage of in the third of a century when he has been an honor to this House.

These great causes to which he gave his magnificent strength ran the gamut of human interest in this country. The health, the education, the employment, the well-being, the civil rights, the privileges due to every American—they were all his causes and he immeasurably made them the causes of the Congress and the country.

He commanded loyalty from those he led because he gave dedicated loyalty to those whom he followed and with whom he worked. He believed so deeply in giving the underprivileged, those long discriminated against, the full enjoyment of America that he, time and again, jeopardized his own political future to fight their battles.

He loved America, and he served it with unfaltering faith and fervor. He loved his colleagues and he gave himself to their service. He loved this House and this House loved him, took him to its heart, and honored him and followed him.

Every one of us has his or her own happy memories of friendship with HALE BOGGS. Whether it was a favor received from him in the House or words of encouragement spoken at a time of discouragement or frustration; or whether it was those beautiful, warm occasions when he and his lovely wife delighted to honor their friends in their hospitable home—each cherished HALE's friendship.

The quality of his friendship, his devotion to his party, cost him his life, because he went, fatigued from arduous service in this House, upon the long journey to Alaska to speak for a Democratic colleague and friend and on this mission he lost his life. He counted service to a friend and to the Democratic Party a privilege, and not a burden to be shirked.

A man of integrity, honor, and duty, a loving husband and devoted family man, honored and esteemed leader with a record of glorious service to his country and to his party, to this House, HALE BOGGS stands out as one of the truly great men who has ever been a Member of the Congress.

He has been followed here by his brave and beautiful and talented wife, our beloved colleague, Lindy. She will carry on his noble work and ever hold aloft the light of ideals and dreams and hopes for which she fought so long by HALE's side. But there will always seem, here in this House, the presence of HALE BOGGS. We will always feel the inspiration of his spirit, we will always imagine him upon cause after cause, speaking out in that booming eloquence of his, so convincing, so persuasive. And each of us who knew him here will ever have a warm memory of his imposing presence, his moving speech, his endearing mannerisms, and the warm smile which would break across his handsome face and move the heart of him or her upon whom it was bestowed.

We shall truly not see his like again. From our hearts we all say—Hail HALE!

Mr. REID. Mr. Speaker, I rise in a sense of sadness and admiration in remembering our late majority leader, the Honorable HALE BOGGS of Louisiana.

Many times this year I have thought back with much fondness on HALE—his zest for life, his commitment to all Americans, regardless of their race, their political beliefs, or the region from which they came.

Even before his election as majority leader, HALE always had the interests of the whole Nation at hand. Before long, his courage and conviction within the House on vital legislation, including the voting rights and civil rights bills of the 1960's, made him a national figure of stature and integrity. His elections to the positions of majority whip and majority leader were fitting tributes to a man who put his conscience above politics, the needs of a nation above all else.

Becoming a majority leader would change many people, tempt them to new power and away from old friendships. We have been lucky in this respect; HALE BOGGS, even after his election as majority leader, was always available to talk, to debate openly and honestly, whether it was on the House floor, over a bite of lunch, or elsewhere. The thoughtful and compassionate character of his leadership allowed him to cross barriers, to talk to all, and in truth to bring us together.

We miss HALE very deeply. His loss on a stormy trip in Alaska was a deep and tragic loss not only for his family, to whom he was devoted, not only for those of us in the House who knew him and loved him, but also for the entire Nation, which perhaps never fully knew what he had given them.

The election of Lindy Boggs to fill HALE's seat tempers our sorrow, and reminds us of the moral strength which her husband represented so well.

He is an example for all of us to follow. It was my honor to know him and be his friend.

I wish to commend and thank the gentleman from Louisiana (Mr. Hébert) for reserving this time for what is certainly a worthy and well-deserved tribute to HALE BOGGS.

Mr. MOORHEAD of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, the Congress and the Nation suffered a great loss when our friend and colleague HALE BOGGS of the Louisiana Second District died last fall.

As a regional whip, I worked with HALE BOGGS, the House whip, on a regular basis. Every Thursday morning when the House was in session, we met in his office for coffee and delicious coffee cake made in the Boggs household.

The passing of someone with whom you have worked so intimately and with whom you have shared both the frustration and satisfaction of daily legislative endeavor toward a common goal, always comes as a great shock. This is especially true in the case of the remarkable HALE BOGGS. His passing is to me a triple loss—of an admired colleague, a respected leader, a dear friend.

HALE was a true champion of reform, the model of that nebulous and overlooked line of Congressmen. Just 2 years out of Tulane University, he organized the People's League and successfully opposed the well established politics of Louisiana. At 27, he was the youngest Democrat to be seated in the 77th Congress. HALE was the epitome of a representative; dedicated to serving both his constituency and the people of the entire country.

I am proud to have been his friend and will miss him always, but his absence must not retard us in achieving our goals. Rather we should continue in the direction that he led us. We are thankful that the presence of Lindy Boggs in this body will help us to realize those objectives.

Mr. DIGGS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in tribute to the late HALE BOGGS, whose leadership in the House of Representatives will long be remembered.

HALE BOGGS was the first Deep South Representative who dared to endorse the idea of civil rights legislation in the Congress, who dared to speak out and acknowledge the support and the aid his black constituency provided. In private conversation and actions as well as public posture, he displayed a deep concern for the rights of all men.

HALE BOGGS was a genuinely warm and helpful man, always willing to share his insights and experiences with other Members.

The knowledge, skills, and understanding of HALE BOGGS will echo through the corridors of this Capitol for many years to come. He will indeed be missed.

Mr. RARICK. Mr. Speaker, I join with the dean of my delegation and the other Members of the House in expressing the deep sense of loss that we all feel at the absence of our former colleague and distinguished majority leader, HALE BOGGS.

HALE, who was born on the Mississippi gulf coast, served the State of Louisiana and the Nation creditably for many years. Throughout his tenure, one thing was certain—he took a stand and everyone knew which way he would go.

A kind and generous man, HALE often went out of his way to offer assistance to us all. His sense of loyalty to those things which he held dear was perhaps his most outstanding virtue.

The State of Louisiana and the Nation will miss him and his leadership. Mrs. Rarick and I join with the people of the Sixth District in offering our sympathies to his widow Lindy Boggs, who now serves with us in the House, and to his entire family.

Mr. DERWINSKI. Mr. Speaker, as a Member who served for seven full terms in the House with the late HALE BOGGS, I consider it a privilege to join Chairman Hébert of the Armed Services Committee as he conducts this special order this afternoon eulogizing our late and beloved colleagues.

HALE BOGGS was one of the most effective leaders the House has had in all of its history. His skill as a parliamentarian and as a debator and as a forceful party leader were recognized on both sides of the aisle. His tragic passing left a void in our leadership that is still being felt.

I believe the purpose of eulogies such as this is to be positive and thus we should emphasize the long record of legislative accomplishments which HALE BOGGS achieved.

In addition, Mr. Speaker, may I emphasize that HALE BOGGS was a warm individual, a friend, and a respected colleague whom all of us who served with him truly do miss.

The people of his district were well served by HALE, and I know they will be served in the same devoted fashion by his widow, Lindy, who has joined us as a Representative of the Second District of Louisiana.

Mr. ANDREWS of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to join in paying tribute to the memory of our friend and majority leader, the late HALE BOGGS.

His distinguished service in this body spanned 14 terms, but it was my misfortune that I did not become a Member until after he had met his most untimely death. Thus, I was not privileged, as most of my fellow Members were, to have known him as a colleague.

However, I did know him as a friend of North Carolina. He visited the Tar Heel State on several occasions, including during the 1964 Presidential campaign when he was aboard the Lady Bird Special. He was a close friend of a number of Members of the North Carolina delegation, especially of two former Members, Carl Durham and the late Herbert Bonner.

That Congressman Boggs had a deep and abiding interest in my home State was, I think, indicative of his goal to serve, not just the Second District of Louisiana, but the entire United States of America.

He attained that goal. He had considerable talents as a leader, as a Member of Congress dedicated to excellence and achievement. He manifested these talents to the fullest, making lasting contributions both to the Congress and to the Nation.

I join in mourning his loss, but rejoice that his widow has succeeded him as a Member of Congress and that his spirit lives on in these Halls through her and through those of you who were privileged to have known him and to have served with him.

Mrs. GREEN of Oregon. Mr. Speaker, the inexpressible tragedy which occurred last October was conveyed to the majority of us in stunning news headlines. As the days passed, anxiety for our majority

leader and fellow colleague, Nick Begich, drifted imperceptibly to sorrow. Typically, HALE BOGGS had been on the job. He was someone Democrats counted on for help and he was someone who was extremely responsive to our needs and wishes. I know the majority leader was devoted to his country and to his party. Combined with that devotion and ability was an unusual personal charm. I thought last fall and I think now of the evenings at their home when he and Lindy, who has rejoined us as a colleague, welcomed us with the warm hospitality so natural to them both. In their presence it was easy to genuinely relax, to forget the pressures and combats of the day, and to enjoy the camaraderie which comes with sharing laughter and anecdotes.

HALE BOGGS carried his heavy responsibilities with distinction and with dignity. He was a courtly man and he had courage. Few of us who were here will ever forget that day in July of 1965 when, with love, with sorrow, and with unpretentious valor, he announced support for the Voting Rights Act. It was certainly one of the most dramatic and moving moments I have witnessed in my years in this House. I appreciated then the strength of this man and I appreciate now the legacy of leadership, kindness, and geniality which he left us.

Mr. HÉBERT. Mr. Speaker, it has been a privilege to preside over these ceremonies in memory of HALE BOGGS. As we close, let us keep in mind one thing, these eulogies have come from the heart, they have been paid by Members who served with HALE, who knew him, and loved him. But by and all there is nothing in these eulogies that would indicate that HALE was a pompous or puffy individual. He was a human being. He would be the first one to admit that he had feet of clay, just as all of us have, and that he was subject to the temptations that all of us have through the frailties of human nature but, more than the human being that he was, I know of no greater tribute that I can pay to this extraordinary man than recall the words of that great fraternal order:

The faults of our brothers we write upon the sands,
Their virtues on tablets of love and memory.

So, my colleagues, we close the book today on the life of HALE BOGGS, but we keep open in our hearts his memory which will live as long as we live.

I thank all of the Members for their participation here today.

Mr. GUDE. Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS' handsome home in Bethesda, Md., was often the scene of big parties for big people, but the guests' first sight as they entered the property was a little plot of tall corn and red tomatoes.

HALE BOGGS was proud of that garden which he worked.

His energies were great, his talents and his honors many, and his interests broad, but he remained close to his people and his land. And this was a key to the man.

He was the youngest Democrat in the 77th Congress and Democratic whip since the second session of the 87th. He was a member of the Phi Beta Kappa scholastic fraternity. Beta Theta Pi academic fraternity, and Omicron Delta Kappa leadership fraternity. He was a man of impressive political power and skills.

But he remembered the people, both as individuals and as a political mass. He remembered the names and characteristics of the people he dealt with at the drug store and other shops of Bethesda, as well as, I am sure, New Orleans. And he remembered their interests on the floor of the House. He was a liberal and a populist—and proud of it.

Those of us who were on the same side as HALE BOGGS on many issues—and those of us who were on opposing sides—knew and appreciated his many skills, his warmth, and his generosity.

The people of Bethesda, like the men and women of this body and the people of Louisiana, remember HALE BOGGS as a friendly man who took the time to talk, and to listen.

Mr. JONES of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, the tragic passing of our beloved friend and majority leader, HALE BOGGS, has left in many of us a deep sense of personal loss.

The memory of HALE as a companion and colleague in the House for more than 25 years is a treasure of great value to me.

HALE toiled long and arduous years to help the people of his area and of the entire Nation realize their maximum potentials. His appeals were to the higher impulses.

In his determination to open doors of opportunity for all, he en-

gaged his considerable abilities and skills as a legislator and a distinguished, energetic, and forceful leader.

He fought hard to attain the kind of legislation which would actively respond to the needs of people. His successes were many and the entire country is indebted to him for his work.

HALE was a friend to all, regardless of station. His openness and zeal for living were well known and a source of pleasant remembrances.

We will miss his counsel and his companionship, his concern and his contributions to a better life.

We share, with his wife Lindy and family, a grievous sense of loss in his passing.

Mr. RODINO. Mr. Speaker, it has been many months now since HALE BOGGS sat with us in this Chamber. Yet, in our minds and in our hearts, his presence, his courage, his leadership, his beliefs, and his dreams remain vibrant and strong.

The relationships built between one man and another differ with every friendship created. Each individual brings a part of himself into this bond, making each separate, distinct, and uniquely special. We all knew HALE in our own ways, be it a family, colleague, as constituent, or as friend and each of us cherishes the experiences and the memories we were privileged to share with him. Certain basic qualities of HALE's character, however, touched upon us all. His love, his compassion, his commitment to his fellow man, his desire to make possible a better life for every American, could be seen in his every deed and in his every word. So long as these memories remain alive, so long as we continue to carry forward the programs and the goals HALE wanted this Nation so desperately to achieve, his image will remain an integral part of the workings of this Chamber. For a large part of this man is indelibly printed in legislation of such great scope, that his work has already enhanced the quality of American life and become imbued in the legacy and the principles of this Nation.

Of the many statements which have been made or will be spoken as time goes on, perhaps the words of St. Francis of Assisi best cap-

tures the essence of HALE's goals and of the endeavors and accomplishments he attained in his own lifetime in seeking their fruition.

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.

Where there is hatred, let me so love;

Where there is injury, pardon;

Where there is doubt, faith;

Where there is despair, hope;

Where there is darkness, light;

And where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console;

To be understood as to understand;

To be loved as to love;

For it is in giving that we receive;

It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;

And, it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.

Sometimes, in paging through last session's Congressional Record, in rereading his words and the speeches he delivered on this floor day after day, it is difficult to realize HALE BOGGS' words will appear no more on these familiar pages. Yet, though he may never walk this way again, and though he may not stand before us fighting for the culmination of his dreams and hopes, the steps he took have left their imprint and have shown us a direction and a way.

Mr. HARSHA. Mr. Speaker, it is with a sincere sense of sorrow that I join with my colleagues in honoring the memory of HALE BOGGS.

The tragic disappearance of our distinguished colleague constituted a very real loss to the American people as well as to the Members of the House.

In the years I was privileged to serve in the House with HALE, I became well acquainted with the hard work, devotion to duty, and masterful leadership of this outstanding man. In my judgment, the entire House, as well as the Democratic Party, was extremely fortunate to have a man of his stature serve in one of the top leadership posts, and his enthusiasm, wisdom and courage will be sorely missed in the days ahead.

I would like to pay particular tribute to the political courage HALE displayed on many occasions. When he assumed his leadership role, he put aside parochial interests and strongly supported causes he felt

were in the best interests of the entire Nation although they were at times anathema to many residents of his southern constituency. This evidence of personal integrity and devotion to the Nation's interests was not lost on his constituents who repeatedly returned him to the House to represent them.

One of the most fitting tributes to our distinguished colleague was made by the residents of his congressional district when they selected his charming wife as his successor. Her many years of experience at his side uniquely qualified her to carry on his capable representation and to work toward the fulfillment of his aspirations and objectives, and I am confident the Second District of Louisiana will continue to be ably and honorably represented. Mr. Speaker, I think that a measure of the respect and affection I had for HALE is measured in the fact that he and I were often on opposite sides of the issues facing Congress. Many times HALE was called upon to debate issues that I had taken a particular stand on as ranking member of the Committee on Public Works. But throughout all this confrontation we remained steadfast friends and while I, on occasion differed from his position philosophically my respect for HALE never diminished. I extend to Mrs. Boggs and to her family my deepest sympathy upon their great loss and my very best wishes for success in her efforts to carry on the work this tragic accident interrupted.

Mr. STOKES. Mr. Speaker, I wish to commend the distinguished gentleman in the well for taking this special order today. I associate myself with his remarks and those of my other colleagues who have today paid tribute to our late, distinguished colleague, HALE BOGGS.

I too am glad to see the distinguished former speaker, Mr. McCormack, present on this occasion. It is also gratifying to know that Lindy Boggs, HALE's charming and devoted wife is now his successor in this body.

Mr. Speaker, I had a personal friendship with HALE BOGGS which I shall always cherish. He was one of the finest men I have had the privilege of knowing. I have had the pleasure of meeting and knowing other members of his family, and they too are fine people.

Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was a southerner and he was proud of it. But he was even more proud that as a southerner he believed in equal rights and freedom and dignity for all men. He had an out-

standing civil rights record and he was proud of it. He had a deep, abiding conviction that all men are created equal and that the color of a person's skin had nothing to do with the quality of the man. I was present on the floor of this House on many occasions when he spoke eloquently and with compassion on behalf of legislation which would help black, poor and disadvantaged people in this Nation. He believed in people.

Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was a great orator. Last year he took a special order to discuss wiretapping of his own telephones by the FBI. He spoke for 1 hour on that occasion. For 1 hour a packed gallery and a full floor of Members listened with rapt attention to one of the greatest and most courageous speeches ever made in the House. His eloquence was never greater. I was so moved on that occasion that I immediately returned to my office and wrote him a letter of congratulations.

Mr. Speaker, I suppose HALE BOGGS was many things to many people. To me he was a friend and a counselor. I chose on many occasions to avail myself of his legislative expertise and longevity in the House. In my opinion his name will go down in history as one of the great leaders of America. I am proud to have served with this distinguished American.

Mr. PATMAN. Mr. Speaker, this House had, indeed, lost a noble statesman—and a great and good friend—in the tragedy last year that took the life of our much beloved and respected majority leader, HALE BOGGS. His death is a severe loss to our Nation, and precisely because he was a statesman, the entire world is bereaved. In every respect, HALE BOGGS represented the best elements in our American legislative system. He possessed all of those excellent and rare qualities that have distinguished our Nation's leaders as great and powerful spokesmen for freedom, democracy, and human liberties. HALE BOGGS personified the celebrated spirit, grace, and charm of his native New Orleans which combined with a vigorous intellect and superlative parliamentary skill to make him one of the most effective and persuasive Representatives ever to grace this Chamber.

As one of the Members who welcomed HALE when he first came to the Congress 32 years ago, I remember very well what a knowledgeable, capable, energetic, and engaging young man he was. His achievements proved the accuracy of my early judgment. Yes, HALE

BOGGS was an eminent American, and he had the courage of his patriotic convictions. After distinguished military service during World War II, he returned to this House that he loved so well, and when he again took his place among his colleagues at the commencement of the 80th Congress, it was clear that he had come to stay—and he did, for 25 years of brilliant leadership.

HALE BOGGS was a relentless and fearsome advocate for the people of the Second Congressional District of Louisiana, and he always championed legislation that would strengthen America, and give fresh hope and new opportunities to the deprived and disadvantaged of this land. For more than a quarter century, HALE BOGGS worked tirelessly for progressive solutions to the age-old problems of civilization.

HALE BOGGS was recognized both at home and abroad as an important and key legislator, and those who knew him realized that his widespread influence sprang from his concern and his regard for all people. It was easy to talk to HALE, he always had time to listen, and you could be sure of his sympathy and understanding. He had an affinity for people, and his affection, loyalty, and outflowing friendship were returned in the same generous abundance.

The Members of this House have fond memories, indeed, of their association with HALE, and I deeply treasure the many wonderful occasions and opportunities that came my way to work closely with him as our highly esteemed majority whip and majority leader and also as a fellow member of the Joint Economic Committee where his wisdom helped guide this Nation through many perilous moments. He imparted to all those who touched upon his life something of his own unquenchable zeal. This immense strength and boundless energy were a constant inspiration to his colleagues.

Mr. Speaker, no words of mine can adequately picture the ebullient spirit, the infinite compassion, or the glowing personal warmth of HALE BOGGS. He was a true friend, and I miss him deeply. His life and service were enormously meaningful and he will long be remembered not only for his substantive contributions of a temporal nature, but also for his spiritual and moral leadership which was all-pervasive and at the core of all his thoughts and deeds. He was truly one of our greatest southern leaders, but he was also a patriotic national leader, never exalting the interests of any section of the country over

the well-being of the Nation itself. He died as he had lived—working unceasingly and unselfishly to help his colleagues, his party, and his country.

Mrs. Patman and I join in extending our heartfelt sympathy to his lovely wife and his fine family. I know that they take comfort and pride in the great respect, admiration, and affection with which he was so widely regarded by his constituency in Louisiana, his colleagues, and by men and women of good will throughout America and the world.

Mr. ULLMAN. Mr. Speaker, I would like to add my voice today to those who are recalling the spirit, the determination and the strength of the late HALE BOGGS. His untimely death is a real tragedy, a tragedy in the classic Greek sense: the end of a great man who achieved much in his lifetime.

For almost 10 years I sat with HALE on the Ways and Means Committee. During that time I grew to know him very well. His keen intellect, his ability to grasp complicated tax and trade matters, and his dint for hard work never lapsed. HALE never feared to attack a complex question, and displayed rare courage in making his decision.

And yet, as well as I think I knew HALE, in some ways he always continued to amaze me. He felt his way through every situation, attuned to the attitudes, the strengths and the weaknesses of those around him. He always seemed to know, perhaps by instinct, when to soothe a ruffled feather, and when to shake up the henhouse.

These things, his good mind and his strong spirit, are, of course, part of what made him a real leader. But there was one thing more. That was his fundamental, unshakable belief in the dignity of man and the basic instruments of our Government to enhance that dignity. Despite the last 10 years of unrest, dissatisfaction, and turmoil in our Nation, HALE BOGGS remained convinced that our American Government and the concepts upon which it was founded remain as viable, workable tools to guarantee the rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Yes, HALE BOGGS' death is a real tragedy. His constituents have suffered the loss of a gifted and tireless public servant. Certainly we in the Congress have lost a determined and strong leader. And the entire Nation has lost a great and good man.

Mr. TEAGUE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I find it personally very hard to accept the fact that our very distinguished friend, HALE BOGGS, is dead. He was such a vibrant person—so full of life and vitality—the word “death” seems incongruous when applied to him.

Of course, my mind tells me the fact of his leaving us is indisputable. And yet I kind of half expect to see him stroll through those doors again and take his accustomed place on the floor of the House. The force of his personality can still be felt within these walls, just as the force of his legislative skills will be felt throughout the Nation for many generations to come.

THOMAS HALE BOGGS was one of my first close friends in this body. He returned to Congress shortly after I first came here. We were both veterans, both from the South, both Democrats and we shared many ideological stances together. It was inevitable that we become friends, and we did.

In many ways HALE was a protege of our late, great Speaker, Mr. Rayburn. This fact, in itself, speaks volumes because Mr. Sam rarely made a mistake in appraising his colleagues. He knew talent when he saw it, and he knew integrity and HALE BOGGS had these two virtues in abundance.

I was particularly moved, Mr. Speaker, when the terrible news of HALE's disappearance reached the Members of this House, to find that he was mourned almost equally on both sides of the aisle.

HALE was a Democrat and a partisan. He held the top partisan position in the Congress. He was a fighter, all the way, but he was a fair fighter. He never took a mean advantage. He never threw a sneak punch. He never broke his word. And if any situation arose in which the best interests of the Democratic Party collided with what he thought was the best interests of the Nation, HALE was always on the side of the angels. He never placed political partisanship above patriotism.

Quite a number of my Republican friends have told me about favors HALE did for them—advice he had given them—assistance in a great number of quiet, honorable ways. He was always generous, always helpful and he took a special interest in promising new Members of this body, regardless of their political faith.

We all know his record here as a Member of the Ways and Means Committee—as an expert in international trade and as majority whip

and majority leader. There is no cause to expand on this record. It speaks for itself.

To his wonderful wife, Lindy, who is so valiantly and successfully occupying HALE's seat in this House it must be a great source of pride and comfort to know that life in America and the rest of the free world is significantly better because HALE worked for 28 years in Congress.

As for us who knew him and worked with him during most of those years, it is a comfort to know that we are better persons simply because we knew him and worked with him.

It was an honor to have served in the same House with him.

It was a privilege to have shared friendship with him.

It was an inspiration to have fought side by side with him in so many successful legislative battles.

May he rest in peace.

Miss JORDAN. Mr. Speaker, we lost a distinguished colleague and a very dear friend of many of us—the late HALE BOGGS of Louisiana—our vigorous majority leader, when the aircraft on which he was a passenger disappeared last October 16, over Alaska.

HALE BOGGS was just 26 years of age, the youngest man in Congress, when he came to the House of Representatives in 1941. In the long and eventful years since he first arrived here in the Nation's Capital, he had risen to numerous and varied positions of power and authority in the committees and forums of the House of Representatives.

We have been deeply saddened by his untimely and tragic passing, and the Congress and the Nation are poorer for having lost a faithful and dedicated public servant. HALE BOGGS became the House whip in 1962, and House majority leader in 1971, serving some 14 terms in the Congress. He wrote a legislative record rich in accomplishment and long on measures designed to better the lives of not only his own constituents in Louisiana, but those of Americans throughout this great Nation that he loved so much.

HALE BOGGS sought throughout his entire legislative career to promote individual rights and responsibilities—and he fully supported the landmark legislation we know as the 1964 Civil Rights Act, an act in keeping with the statement he once made that, "the fundamental right to vote must be a part of this great experiment in human progress under which is America."

The rewards he received were many and varied, but perhaps his greatest reward came in the knowledge that he was a good and faithful representative of the people of the Second District of Louisiana. HALE BOGGS belongs to the ages now, but the memory of his presence here is not one that is likely to be forgotten as long as men and women respect all those admirable qualities of charm and ability, devotion and dedication that so characterized a great and good man. We wish his widow well, and trust that we have been able to convey something of the deep respect we held for many years for HALE BOGGS, Congressman from Louisiana.

Mr. NIX. Mr. Speaker, it is with sadness in my heart and with inadequacy of words that my friend and our colleague, HALE BOGGS, is being eulogized in a manner befitting him. It is never easy to accept the loss of a dear friend. It is made more difficult when that friend was in the prime of life.

HALE BOGGS was a statesman in the best and noblest sense of the word. He loved people and the land of his origin, but he brought a national perspective to his work. There was nothing about him that was parochial or base. He had courage, conviction, and compassion.

He worked for the accomplishment of great political goals and unceasingly for the passage of good legislation in which he believed. The list of his achievements and commitments to causes for the betterment of humanity could go on endlessly. Certainly, HALE BOGGS was one of those rare and inspired human beings who managed to live their lives to the fullest limits of their God-given energy and talents. His energy and his redoubtable talents were given totally to the service of his fellowman. The excellence he has shown throughout his career in government stands as a challenge and an inspiration to the American youth of today who will be the leaders of tomorrow.

Over and above his service in this body, his dedication as a loyal member of the national Democratic Party went beyond the call of duty. It was a sad occasion for all of us last fall just a few days before the election when word was received that both, HALE BOGGS and another colleague, Nick Begich, were missing on a flight in Alaska. Thousands of friends and supporters waited and prayed that the Creator would spare the lives of the occupants of the missing plane for a later date. That HALE BOGGS was in Alaska braving severe

Alaskan weather was a testament to the generosity and party loyalty of a friend who heeded a colleague's request for political assistance.

Men like HALE BOGGS are rare and needed. I will miss him and the citizens of the United States will miss him more than most will ever know.

While all of us will long grieve at his loss, we can remember the spirit of hope and charity that pervaded his life and political career and give thanks for the honor and privilege of having shared a portion of it with him.

Mr. FLOWERS. Mr. Speaker, I consider it an honor to join with my colleagues today in paying tribute to our late majority leader, the Honorable HALE BOGGS of Louisiana.

The kind of man HALE BOGGS was can be plainly shown by the activity in which he was engaged at the time of his disappearance—campaigning for a fellow Member of this House. He was a man who gave much of himself for others and was not one to turn down a call for help.

HALE BOGGS served his State of Louisiana and his Nation for many years in the Congress, and he served them well. I know that I speak for all of us, his colleagues, when I say he will be truly missed in this Chamber.

Mr. DAVIS of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, it is my humble privilege to salute the memory of our late majority leader, HALE Boggs. The untimely tragedy which has taken him from us can never be accurately measured in its impact. The Congress has, indeed, lost one of its most distinguished Members and I feel the loss of a good friend and leader.

I recall Mr. BOGGS as a dedicated public official, devoting his complete effort to the job at hand. My first encounter with Mr. Boggs came when I was a doorkeeper and he was the Democratic whip. I always found him ready and able to help with any problem. In his entire career, HALE BOGGS had the ability to win people to his side. He did it with logic, legislative acumen, and humor. But when those methods failed he could twist arms as well as anyone. He had the ability to light a fire under people—without making their blood boil.

When he assumed his role as majority leader his duties increased dramatically, and yet, he was never too busy to instruct the novice,

counsel the undecided, and persuade the disagreeable. His loyalty to the Democratic Party was unquestionable. In fact, Congressman Boggs was always ready to come to the aid of a fellow Member. He was on such a mission when his plane was lost.

I feel certain it will be a long time before the memory of this great man is dimmed. He did, indeed, cast a giant footprint on the history of this House. I feel honored and fortunate to have been able to serve with HALE BOGGS. I can add without hesitation, I shall miss his experience and wisdom very much.

Mr. EDWARDS of Alabama. Mr. Speaker, I rise to join my distinguished colleague, F. Edward Hébert, in recognizing the contribution made to this body and to the Nation by our friend and majority leader, the late HALE BOGGS.

Words, no matter how well chosen or how well phrased, cannot adequately measure the service which he rendered to his Louisiana constituents. And like the poet who finds the universal in the local, HALE BOGGS was able to represent his immediate constituency with great skill while at the same time serving a far larger national constituency as majority leader.

HALE BOGGS' presence in the Congress and his many accomplishments added to the stature of every American and every Member of Congress. His leadership will benefit Americans for years to come and will provide a fitting memorial to this great American.

Mr. BRASCO. Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS is gone from our midst, and the Congress and the Nation mourn and miss him along with his fine family. From the first day I spent in this House, HALE was friend, colleague, adviser, and leader.

We can all remember back to the first days of our incumbency. It is at such moments that a senior Member of the House can be, if he chooses, most helpful and understanding. HALE BOGGS was that kind of individual.

He was a partisan down to his toenails when the occasion demanded it. Yet whenever some issue concerned the Nation as a whole, transcending political partisanship, he was the first to cast the latter aside and act on behalf of all Americans.

As a legislator, he was to be found in the thick of every battle on every major issue, making significant contributions.

As a leader, he was a guiding light on this floor and off it, offering the kind of knowledge and experience the position he held demanded at all times.

When asked to be a sectionalist at the price of national interests of a broader nature, HALE always cast his lot on the side of our whole Nation and society, rather than taking refuge behind the false shelter of regionalism.

When asked to turn his back on the morally correct issues of human rights for all Americans, he took his chances politically, putting his vote and energies on the side of justice, freedom, liberty, and human dignity. Perhaps those were his finest moments on the floor of this body. Pressures and fears of those times were breathing down the back of his neck, but he insisted on doing what America needed to have done on her behalf as a nation. And it is when men and women in public life act in that manner that a society rises to a finer, higher level of civilization.

HALE BOGGS throughout his career was a decent, compassionate, and kindly human being. His service here has brought honor to his family, his State, and our Nation. We are all the poorer for his absence. We all miss him keenly. He shall be remembered by those whose lives he touched and enhanced.

Mr. ROSENTHAL. Mr. Speaker, THOMAS HALE BOGGS contributed much to the Democratic Party, the House of Representatives, and the American people. He consistently strove to do what he felt was best for his country. He acted, at all times, in a fashion worthy of the utmost regard and respect. We all miss his warm personality and myriad talents greatly.

As a man of calm rationality and balance, he was able to utilize his abilities to understand divergent points of view that always exist, reduce the heat and friction that slow progress and make legislative machinery work. This supreme achievement remains the measure of the man. HALE BOGGS, legislative leader, was unsurpassed in this attribute.

HALE BOGGS was a leader in another sense as well. Although he represented his Louisiana constituents with great skill and care, he found it necessary, on occasion, to step beyond district concerns and approach certain issues from a national perspective. Despite the electoral risks inherent in such positions, HALE BOGGS, as a dedicated

and patriotic statesman, never failed to cast those crucial votes whenever his conscience told him that a larger national interest was at stake. His valiant fight on behalf of the 1968 Civil Rights bill came very close to costing him his seat. Yet, in succeeding years, he continued to stand his ground.

All of us might well learn from this great man's devotion to his country. His widow, Lindy, who sits among us now, and his family have good cause to be proud.

HALE BOGGS' work will remain an inspiration and a guiding beacon for Members of this Chamber for generations to come.

Mr. KLUCZYNSKI. Mr. Speaker, this House was profoundly grieved and saddened by the tragic death of the late majority leader, HALE BOGGS, last October. In the months since then we have felt the full extent of our loss. He was a friend to all of us, as well as a respected colleague. He had warmth and humor and generosity of spirit; he was the kind of person who could always make one feel at ease. At the same time, he had a superb talent for leadership, an ability to bring disparate points of view together to achieve a constructive compromise acceptable to all.

Someone once said "When HALE takes the floor, there is always order in the House," and this is a truth that reflects his eloquence and persuasiveness in debate. He won national recognition as an expert and effective spokesman for liberal trade policies. Few men in modern times have been more expert in the intricacies of complicated tax and trade legislation.

HALE BOGGS supported the national Democratic Party when it took great political courage for him to do so, and it is a tribute to his constituents that they recognized his ability and continued to return him to Congress despite very strong opposition. He was one of the Democratic Party's ablest leaders, especially in the areas of campaign and legislative strategy. He served as parliamentarian at the 1964 Democratic National Convention and skillfully chaired the committee that wrote the Democratic platform at the 1968 convention, a supremely difficult job in that year of social turmoil.

HALE got into politics shortly after winning his law degree from Tulane University in 1937 as a leader of a New Orleans reform group that temporarily broke the power of a machine that had dominated Louisiana politics for many years. At the age of 26 he became the

youngest Member of Congress in 1941. After service as a naval officer during World War II he regained his House seat in 1946 and held it until his death last fall. HALE had no opposition in the November election, but he was devoting his full time to helping his colleagues in their campaigns. It was this generosity which led to his tragic and fatal trip to Alaska.

HALE BOGGS was a man of exceptional integrity, wisdom, and personal warmth. During his whole career in politics and government he devoted himself to serving the best interests of his district, his State, and the Nation. Citizens of Louisiana can take great pride that they have sent to the Congress such outstanding and dedicated legislators as HALE BOGGS, and now his very able and talented wife, Lindy.

I am extremely grateful that I have had the opportunity to know them as friends and work with them as colleagues. HALE will be sorely missed, both as a wonderful human being and as one of the most outstanding leaders in our time. His family has my deepest sympathy in their terrible loss.

Mr. BROYHILL of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, I am glad to have the opportunity to pay tribute to former House majority leader, HALE BOGGS.

The late HALE BOGGS deserves praise for his unselfish service and the contribution he made to the legislative process. He made many friends on both sides of the aisle and his valued advice and counsel are sorely missed.

In my personal conversations and contacts with Congressman Boggs, I always found him to be candid and forthright. He was firm in his convictions and is to be commended for the manner in which he stood up for his beliefs.

I am pleased to join with the many friends and associates of the late HALE BOGGS in paying tribute to him for his long and devoted service to the people of Louisiana and the Nation.

Mr. NEDZI. Mr. Speaker, the practice of politics is an honorable profession and of critical importance to any democracy.

One of the most skilled practitioners of the art of politics was our beloved friend and leader, the late HALE BOGGS of Louisiana.

Those of us who served with HALE BOGGS in the U.S. House of Representatives enjoyed a rare privilege, for seldom has this body

seen his equal in skill of maneuver, knowledge of legislation, and oratorical flavor. HALE BOGGS was one of the few Members of my experience who could effect a change of direction in the House while a debate was in progress. Every time he arose to speak, he drew attention like a magnet.

Our personal relations were always cordial and I always looked forward to each opportunity to share in the company of HALE and his lovely wife, Lindy.

The House is a large body which experiences a substantial turnover every 2 years. Out of its sea of relative anonymity arise a modest number of characters and a smaller number of memorable personalities. HALE BOGGS will be recorded and remembered as one of the greatest personalities ever to serve here.

It was a personal tragedy for the Democratic Party, for the Congress, and for the Nation, that misfortune cut short a life which was barely beyond midpassage and which promised so much good for all that he touched.

Mr. FISHER. Mr. Speaker, the untimely and tragic death of HALE BOGGS is unbelievable. It was my honor and pleasure to serve in the House with HALE for 30 years. He was always recognized as one of the more intelligent and articulate Members of this body. He provided a dynamic leadership which was widely recognized. There have been few men who have served in the Congress in modern times who have been more effective and commanded so much attention and respect.

HALE BOGGS was devoted to his job like few men have ever been. Always ready and anxious to assist a friend, it was this quality which accounted for his fatal trip to Alaska.

I share with my colleagues the sadness that has been described by so many. It is wonderful to know that he has been succeeded by Lindy, his faithful wife, who will undoubtedly make her mark as a valuable and responsible Member of Congress. I extend to Lindy and other members of the family my profound sympathy in their bereavement.

Mr. MURPHY of New York. Mr. Speaker, the Nation and the Democratic Party will forever be in debt to THOMAS HALE BOGGS who gave unselfishly of his time and energy to the Congress of the

United States and the democratic process. The Congress will sorely miss his skill in the art of politics, his knowledge of legislation, and his ability to maneuver the legislative process into the viable, workable, and successful system that it was designed to be.

It is with sadness in my heart that I eulogize my friend and colleague of many years. A man who was a shining example to me when I came as a freshman to the Congress. And a man whom I continued to admire and learn from as he led the Congress on national issues such as the Civil Rights Act and many other laws too numerous to mention. His work was carried out with a perceptive national perspective that made him a true statesman in every sense of the word.

The pages of history are written with the words of HALE BOGGS and we shall never lose that. We are fortunate to have Lindy, his faithful wife, as a part of our membership to carry on the good work of HALE BOGGS. I extend to her and the family my profound sympathy in their bereavement.

Mr. BIAGGI. Mr. Speaker, it is with a sense of profound personal loss that I wish to pay tribute to a great American and colleague, the Honorable HALE BOGGS of Louisiana.

For 28 years, HALE BOGGS served his country with unparalleled distinction as the U.S. Representative from the Second Congressional District of the State of Louisiana. During the last 2 years of his outstanding term, he served as the majority leader of the House of Representatives.

In my 4 years in the House, I was honored to have known and worked with HALE BOGGS. I sought his advice on various matters, and was always impressed with both his knowledge of various subjects—and his eagerness to assist me in any manner.

Yet, even while he held the considerable power and influence which are associated with being the House majority leader, HALE BOGGS never once neglected those people who had elected him to office. His dedicated and tireless service to his constituents was an inspiration to every Member of the House.

HALE BOGGS will also be remembered as a gentleman. A great deal of his success as a legislator and national leader stemmed from his warm and friendly personality which allowed him to deal effectively with the congressional delegations of every section of the country.

I would like to join with my colleagues today in paying tribute to a great legislator, leader, and gentleman, HALE BOGGS.

Mr. MILLER. Mr. Speaker, the tragic disappearance of our distinguished colleague and my friend HALE BOGGS is a loss which will be felt in this Chamber, throughout Louisiana, and across America for years to come.

Few men in the course of their lifetime make an impact as significant as that marking the life of HALE BOGGS. He will be remembered as an architect of many important pieces of legislation which were authored with the best interests of America in mind. Those of us who were fortunate to know HALE BOGGS for the courageous legislator and public servant that he was will never forget his unwavering devotion to the people he served and the principles he represented.

We will always remember him with special admiration and affection and our sentiments are shared, I am sure, by a nation grateful for his attention to duty.

It is, I think, a special tribute to HALE BOGGS, that despite all his legislative deeds, we find ourselves thinking first, however, not so much of those deeds, but even more so of his character.

It was the character of the man—not necessarily what he did, but what he was—that earned him the trust and faith of the people of his State and his colleagues in the Congress. HALE BOGGS touched something very fundamental in America which only men of immense spirit and dedication to the ideals of democracy can bring to life. He was a product of the South, but a servant of America. Driven by the desire to do things right, and to do his job fully, it is in his passing that all of us know that he accomplished both goals in the very finest way.

Though I am grieved by the loss of HALE BOGGS, it is only fitting to note at the same time that one closest to him—his lovely wife Lindy—succeeded HALE in representing the Second District of Louisiana. Her presence in the House in which HALE served will continue to inspire us as he did, and remind us that, in the memory of a great statesman, we should continue striving to fulfill the dreams of America.

Mr. FOUNTAIN. Mr. Speaker, I want to associate myself with all others in paying tribute to our former majority leader, HALE BOGGS.

The tragic accident which took from our midst our colleague HALE BOGGS, at the height of his career, is one of the most terrible blows ever to fall upon this House. I have been told by many that from his first election to the Congress in 1940, it was evident that he was destined for leadership. When I came here in 1953, I could easily understand why. He was the youngest Member to serve in the 77th Congress and after 4 years of active duty with the U.S. Naval Reserves during World War II, he was reelected to the 80th Congress and every succeeding Congress by wide margins.

HALE BOGGS was one of the Nation's top experts on the extremely complex and difficult subjects of taxation and foreign trade policy. Until his election as majority leader in the 92d Congress, he served as the chairman of the Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy of the Joint Economic Committee, as well as a high ranking member of the Committee on Ways and Means and the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation. He was also an expert on parliamentary procedure; a permanent American delegate to the Interparliamentary Union from 1948 to 1962 and parliamentarian for the Democratic National Convention in 1964. He was an outstanding member of two important national commissions: The President's Commission on the Assassination of President Kennedy and the National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence. He began his rise to the majority leadership when he was elected deputy whip in the 85th Congress, becoming whip in the second session of the 87th Congress and majority leader in the 92d Congress.

These are just a few of the outstanding achievements of HALE BOGGS' outstanding career. The list could go on and on, but I think it is even more important to remember his friendly disposition, his cooperative spirit as a leader, and his qualities and character which won him the admiration, and affection of all who knew him. He and his family, especially his lovely wife Lindy, who is now his very worthy successor, were among the warmest, most generous and hospitable people it has ever been my good fortune to meet.

HALE achieved his position as majority leader not just because of his many years of faithful service to the Democratic Party, not just because of his intellectual brilliance, and his skill as a parliamentarian, but because he had a deep and genuine liking for people and an ability to work together with Members of all political persuasions to reach a responsible compromise or pursue a common goal.

The purpose that led to the tragic accident in Alaska was typical of his generosity; in the final hectic days before the election last fall he took time out to help a colleague's campaign, not really for political advantage, but primarily out of friendship for a candidate he admired.

There will always be a warm spot in the hearts and minds of his colleagues, his constituents, and countless friends. As a leader and legislator who upheld the finest ideals of democratic government, and as a man who earned the affection, loyalty, and profound respect of those of us who knew him, HALE BOGGS set an example that will continue to inspire his colleagues and his many, many friends.

Mrs. Fountain and I were saddened and share the loss of his fine family. And we wish for his very charming, talented and capable wife and successor, Congresswoman Lindy Boggs, every happiness and success during the years that lie ahead.

Mr. Speaker, at this point I would like to include a personal letter of tribute to our former colleague, HALE BOGGS, from a former Member of this House, our very able and distinguished friend, the Honorable Horace Kornegay of North Carolina.

WASHINGTON, D.C., *May 24, 1973.*

HON. L. H. FOUNTAIN,
*U.S. House of Representatives,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR L. H.: It has come to my attention that the House on Tuesday, May 22, will set aside time to memorialize HALE BOGGS. I feel it not only appropriate but have a moving desire to express in writing the high regard which I had for him and the deep sense of personal loss which has come to me as a result of his departure from this life. Please use this letter in any way which you deem appropriate.

As you know, it was my great honor and privilege to serve in the House of Representatives and to know HALE BOGGS from January 3, 1961 to January 3, 1969. During several years of my time in the House, I had the fortunate experience of serving as a Zone Whip under HALE's leadership during his tenure as Majority Whip. This close association with this remarkable man provided me with the opportunity to observe his political courage, his dedication to his party and to the government he served and his love of the country and its people. He gave unselfishly of his time and wisdom to the cause of good government and needless to say, his great efforts added greatly to the profit of our nation.

It was a great pleasure to have known and served with him and I, like you, have lost a wonderful friend.

Out of this great tragedy, it is comforting to HALE's friends to know that the fine people of his district have named his courageous and talented wife, Lindy, to serve them in the Congress and to carry on the Boggs' tradition. He leaves a wonderful family and a host of friends and associates who will forever treasure his memory.

Sincerely,

HORACE R. KORNEGAY.

Mr. BIESTER. Mr. Speaker, I appreciate having this opportunity to add a few words in tribute to our late majority leader HALE BOGGS.

HALE BOGGS was an accomplished legislator, a compassionate man whose presence and influence were matched by few others in these Halls. He conceived his role as majority whip and then as majority leader in a most dynamic manner, and he lived his job with a zest and determination that impressed Members on both sides of the aisle.

HALE BOGGS was able to interpret and mold together the roles of both a representative of the people and a leader of the people. As a representative, he addressed and acted upon the needs of the people of his congressional district. As a leader, he looked beyond the pressures of the moment and took what were oftentimes publicly unpopular stands. His support of the 1965 Voting Rights Act and the 1968 civil rights bill demonstrated the depth and strength of this man.

In the death of HALE BOGGS, the South has lost a forceful voice and the Nation will miss a respected leader.

Mr. GIAIMO. Mr. Speaker, the tragic disappearance of Representative HALE BOGGS took from this House and the Nation a great legislator and a fine man. HALE would have been 60 years of age next February, and his accomplishments in a foreshortened lifetime were those of an outstanding public figure, worthy of the highest ideals of the Congress and characteristic of the leadership Louisiana has so often given to the Nation.

HALE's early years were marked by distinctions in both scholarship and leadership. His academic career was followed by election as the youngest Democratic Member of the 77th Congress. Following service in the Naval Reserve and the Maritime Service during the Second World War, HALE returned to the 80th Congress, and was reelected by the people of New Orleans to every Congress from that time until his death.

HALE's service in the Congress is marked by a record of the most distinguished and active assignments and was complimented by his

equally long and illustrious record of work for the Democratic Party through its national councils, conventions and committees.

I first met HALE when I was elected to the 86th Congress. He stood out in my mind as a leader, as a hard worker, and a model for others of us to observe and follow. Over the succeeding years HALE became both a friend and an admired colleague; while his work as Democratic whip and, later, as majority leader, took more and more of his time, he remained a considerate and dedicated worker both for his party and his Nation. That his death came during a trip undertaken to assist another Representative demonstrates the kind of concerned leader he was.

I know that the people of New Orleans are quite fortunate to have HALE's widow represent them in this House. An outstanding leader in her own right, Lindy is to be commended for demonstrating that kind of public-spirited motivation HALE came to represent.

Mr. Speaker, while HALE BOGGS' death was a great loss to his family and friends, to his city and the Nation, it was also a great loss to this Congress. I hope that in our words and actions, our choice of leaders and our pursuit of goals, we can all work to fill that void in a manner befitting the commitment shown by this lost and mourned leader.

Mr. PREYER. Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was a splendid example of the public servant. His intelligence, his sense of duty, his uncommon ability at making government work were all directed for most of his adult life, at serving people. People in Louisiana, people in the United States and, because his understanding was so great, people around the world.

He was a practitioner of the art of politics but a man who knew where partisanship ended and commitment to country took over.

We in North Carolina knew him well because he had been generous in his time spent with us there and generous in his support of our State's interest. He was always there when we needed him and he always made us feel important—almost as important as the people of Louisiana.

HALE was the speaker at our Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner in 1972, our biggest party event of the year, and delivered a memorable old-style stump speech. There has never been a better stump speaker than HALE, with that marvelous booming bass voice. North Carolina

was honored when Lindy Boggs addressed this year's Jefferson-Jackson Day luncheon on March 24. It was her first speaking engagement after her election a few days before. She received a tremendous and prolonged standing ovation, which reflected both our love for her and our admiration and affection for HALE.

HALE came to this House as the youngest member of his party in the Congress at that time.

When World War II came, although he was just at the start of his career, he left Washington to serve his country with honor and distinction in the Navy.

His second congressional career was marked by a rapid rise to leadership. My colleagues who served with him here throughout that period know of his great contribution in the fields of narcotics and foreign trade legislation; of his service on the Commission to Investigate the Assassination of the President; and countless other achievements.

He had a great gift of friendship and was one of Washington's best hosts. This effectively concealed an inner toughness and strength, which was his greatest asset and without which no man could accomplish all he did.

HALE BOGGS was a partisan: of this House, of his party, but above all, a partisan of his country.

We all miss him. We take pride in the years of his life among us. We salute his memory and joy in the presence of the good and gracious lady who carries on that service here today.

Mr. McCORMACK. Mr. Speaker, it is with a great sense of tragedy and loss that I join my colleagues to commemorate the life and service of the late HALE BOGGS. As a second-term Congressman now, I had the privilege of serving under his leadership for a short 2 years. Yet during that brief time, I was greatly impressed by his intelligence and dedication, his compassion and his humor. His persuasive leadership most effectively combined understanding concern for his constituents and his colleagues with a vision of the present needs and future demands of our country. Most important, however, he was devoted to the Congress of the United States. He was determined to serve his country and its people, and he felt deep love for his family, his friends, and his fellowman.

The tragedy which ended his service at the peak of his long and distinguished career has left this Congress and this Nation with a very real and irreplaceable loss. But while we are so saddened by his absence, we are deeply enriched for the service he gave and the example he set.

He never forgot the difficult beginnings of his career, starting college during the depression and working his way through law school. This unfailing memory brought forth his impassioned defense of the great social legislation considered and passed by the Congress—legislation designed to improve the lives of Americans—to foster their opportunities for decent shelter, sufficient nutritional food, adequate health care, and an acceptable standard of living with opportunity for self-improvement.

Perhaps the greatest example he set for us was by demonstrating the courage of his convictions in the field of civil rights. His open and strong support for the critical voting rights legislation represented a position of unswerving concern for the rights of all men and a concomitant willingness to take the consequences for a position he deeply believed in, despite the fact that it was not widely shared by his home constituency.

Our loss of the Honorable HALE BOGGS is mitigated by the recent election of his wife Lindy to continue his service in the Congress. As one who shared his goals and dreams, worked faithfully and continually at his side as his closest adviser in district and national affairs, she is well known too and greatly admired by Members of this Congress. We are enriched by her presence now, just as we have been enriched in the past by the distinguished service of her late husband.

Mr. CORMAN. Mr. Speaker, in the months since the tragic accident which took HALE BOGGS' life, I have thought of him many times—of his respected stature in the House as our majority leader; of his decency and warmth as a human being; of his willingness at all times to befriend each of us in every way he could; of his devotion to the interests of the country; and especially of his commitment to legislation that upheld the rights of every American, which in itself made him a symbol of the great traditions by which we live and govern.

HALE BOGGS was a sincere man. His integrity was unquestionable; his courage boundless. These qualities were never more clearly and effectively displayed than during the debates and consideration of civil rights legislation in the House. As the foremost Member from the Deep South to support the rights of black Americans, he unflinchingly placed his own commitment to justice above regional interests, and thereby paved the way for passage of the civil rights statutes of the 1960's.

Whenever those of us who knew and worked with HALE BOGGS look back to those years, we will always remember the force, the honesty, the sensitivity of his stirring speech on the floor in support of the 1968 Civil Rights Act. We will recall that this man, perhaps more than any other, brought the House to the realization that no longer could any American, whatever the color of his skin, be denied his inalienable rights. This is a remarkable legacy that HALE BOGGS left us. We should use it well.

It was an honor, Mr. Speaker, to have served here with HALE BOGGS and to be counted his friend. He has been deeply missed these past months, and he will continue to be. But, he will always be remembered with profound respect, affection, and esteem.

Mr. JONES of North Carolina. Mr. Speaker, the first time I had the pleasure of meeting Congressman HALE BOGGS was quite a few years ago when he came to Greenville, N.C., to speak on behalf of the Democratic Party. As in the case of all who met him, I was immediately impressed with his ability and sincerity. Of course, it was sometime later in 1966 when I became a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives that I fully appreciated his talents and leadership capacities. Quite often, due to the district which I represent, I found it necessary to vote other than did our late leader. However, at no time was I criticized or censored, but always he assured me that he understood the problems of individual Members, and that the most important fact was for those of us on the Democratic side to continue to be reelected. No doubt, his popularity was based on the ability to understand the problems of his colleagues. It is needless to say that he has been missed, for all who knew him share the same sense of loss as I.

I think it is most fitting that the people of the Second District of Louisiana had the wisdom to continue the services of the Boggs

family in the U.S. Congress; and to his family who generously shared his talents with others, I offer my best wishes and appreciation.

Mr. DENT. Mr. Speaker, I wish to join my colleagues in paying tribute to a truly great American and great Member of the House of Representatives, the late HALE BOGGS.

I know that a profound sense of personal loss has pervaded this body since HALE's death. We will miss him in many ways, yet each time we feel his absence, we will remember his accomplishments while he was with us.

We will remember him as a brilliant man and a brilliant parliamentarian, superbly suited for the job of majority leader, which he so ably performed.

We will remember him as a conscientious hard-working member of the Ways and Means Committee, an expert on taxation.

We will remember him as the Representative from the Second District of Louisiana, a man who worked for his constituents as a Congressman should.

Most of all, we will remember HALE BOGGS as a legislator who placed the best interests of America above personal, party, or regional interests. Without his support, some of the most progressive legislation in our country's history could never have been passed in the 1960's. For this reason, we as a nation are truly grateful.

My own personal sense of loss runs deep, for I remember HALE not only as a colleague but as a friend, and of course nothing can fill the void caused by the loss of a friend. Yet, I want to take this opportunity to wish his wife, Congresswoman Lindy Boggs, a most capable successor, all the success possible in filling her husband's shoes here.

With the death of HALE BOGGS, the House and the Nation have lost a true leader, yet the United States will forever be blessed by his legacy.

Mr. LEGGETT. Mr. Speaker, it is a great privilege for me to join today with the chairman of my House Armed Services Committee and the rest of my colleagues in paying tribute to our late leader, HALE BOGGS.

It is, of course, very difficult to express in words the loss that this body suffered when, at the end of the last Congress, HALE BOGGS' plane vanished into the Alaskan wilderness.

HALE died doing what he had been doing his entire life—giving of himself for other people. His last mission, like so many of his others, was one of concern for a young Democratic colleague. HALE went to Alaska to aid in the reelection of Nick Begich in much the same way that he championed the poor and less fortunate in this country on the floor of the House.

HALE was a great Democrat, but he was so much more than a leader of the Democratic Party. HALE led the Congress during one of the most divisive periods in the country's history. Here was a man, from the South, leading his party in the fight for civil rights when most political commentators were saying that such a position was politically lethal.

HALE voted for the Voting Rights Act of 1965 and the Fair Housing Act of 1968, and proved that the cause of freedom was not exclusively a Northern issue. It is certain that this body and the entire country will miss the courageous leadership of this unusual man.

I can go on and on, but the best person to speak for HALE BOGGS is HALE himself. On June 15 of last year, HALE took the floor to argue in favor of the 1973 Labor-HEW appropriations bill. He stated:

I know it can be argued that the amounts are somewhat above what the budget recommended, but I would say that when we look at the needs in these areas of health and education, the demands all over this country, and when we look at this plus trillion-dollar economy of ours, what we have done is anything but generous. The amount of the national commitment to education in this country is unfortunately less than it is in most countries in the Western World. We pay a penalty for it, a very dear penalty, because unfortunately the standard of education in this country has suffered accordingly.

Mr. Speaker, I was pleased that this body supported HALE at that time with a vote of 209-137 and I was honored to vote with my leader on this issue.

Mr. BURKE of Massachusetts. Mr. Speaker, it is with mixed feelings of sorrow and pride that I join in paying tribute to the memory of a truly great American, our former colleague, the Honorable HALE BOGGS.

With his passing the House of Representatives has lost a vital Member, and I have personally lost a good friend.

HALE BOGGS, throughout his many years of service in the U.S. House of Representatives was a great source of strength to those of

us who served with him. His high principles, dedication and determination were qualities for which we all came to respect him.

Throughout his career in Congress, HALE BOGGS exerted great energy and courage in facing every aspect of his work. He saw the Government as a means of meeting people's needs and solving national problems, and he lived his role to the highest degree.

I was fortunate to have served with HALE BOGGS on the House Ways and Means Committee where he became an outstanding and widely acclaimed expert on tax legislation, social security issues, reciprocal trade, and many other complex matters which came before the committee. His expertise and guidance are greatly missed at the Ways and Means Committee.

Besides our association in the Congress, HALE and I were close personal friends. I knew him as a warm and wonderful man who loved humanity and who acted out that love for humanity every day. Indeed, on that ill-fated day in October HALE BOGGS went to Alaska to lend assistance to another.

Entering Congress as the youngest Member at age 26, HALE BOGGS rose to a position of great leadership in the House of Representatives. His intellect and abilities were readily recognized by all who served with him.

Throughout his career, HALE BOGGS had the constant companionship and counsel of his very lovely and gracious wife, Lindy. We are all grateful that she has been chosen to succeed HALE, and we are confident that she will make a distinguished record in her own right.

Mrs. Boggs and her children have shouldered a great personal loss, and that loss is shared with those of us in the House of Representatives.

Mr. J. WILLIAM STANTON. Mr. Speaker, I have found in my 8 years in the House of Representatives that there are certain individuals you are especially proud to call colleagues. There are those you will remember for the rest of your life. The Honorable HALE BOGGS of Louisiana was such a man.

I recall meeting HALE BOGGS for the first time, not in the Chamber of the House, but in a Catholic Church—St. Dominic's here in Washington. The date was early January 1965. I had been a Member of the House for only a few days. What brought Congressman BOGGS

to that church on that specific day, I cannot remember now. However, I do remember our conversation after mass and the ride I gave him back to the Capitol.

I always considered my first meeting with HALE BOGGS very symbolic of the kind of man I later came to know him to be. He was first and foremost a true Christian gentleman. He was endowed with the great gift of faith. He was a colleague who was never too busy to give you a friendly greeting whenever you crossed his path.

It was my wife's and my pleasure to be able to visit in HALE BOGGS' district on the occasion of the Super Bowl game in January 1972. It was a heart-warming experience to see him and his charming wife at home in Louisiana. It was obvious that they were loved and admired by their neighbors and constituents. As you might expect, HALE BOGGS was a superb host on this occasion.

I join my many colleagues in paying respect to this great man. His leadership, his integrity, and his contributions to the betterment of America will live in our hearts forever. To his wife, Lindy, and his family, I extend Peggy's and my deep sympathy.

How superbly appropriate that his lovely and so very capable wife, Lindy, is carrying on the public service tradition which was HALE BOGGS' hallmark.

Mr. COLLIER. Mr. Speaker, the sudden and tragic manner in which HALE BOGGS departed this life has made it especially difficult for me to accept the fact that he is no longer with us. I was privileged to serve with him for a number of years, not only as a colleague in this great body, but as a fellow member of the Committee on Ways and Means.

During my years of close association with our late colleague, I had the opportunity to observe him at close range. I was impressed with his knowledge, his skill, and his devotion to the principles in which he believed. He worked hard for the causes which he espoused.

Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS served his district, his State, and his country with distinction, as a citizen, as a soldier, and as a legislator. May he rest in peace and may the good Lord comfort his loved ones.

Mr. MILLS of Arkansas. Mr. Speaker, it is with singularly deep sadness that I join other Members of the House in expressing profound sorrow and regret at our loss of a very close friend and long-

time colleague and the Nation's loss of a superb legislator and great leader.

On last October 16, the plane in which HALE BOGGS was flying took off from Anchorage on a flight bound to Juneau. As was usually the case, HALE was making this journey to help others, in this instance Congressman Nick Begich, who also lost his life in the unknown tragedy which ensued. I say usually the case because I truthfully cannot recall a single instance of HALE's ever having turned down a request for assistance from a junior member of his party. He would go anywhere, anytime. And in recent years the requests for his very able and effective aid came more and more frequently. For he was a popular man, both among his colleagues and across the country. He was a respected man and recognized as a leader not only in the South, but in the North, East, and West, to the farthest reaches of this country and, indeed, throughout the world.

He was much in demand and he gave of himself unstintingly. When we remember this important aspect of his life, we realize that while his death was most untimely and a terrible shock to us all, the purposes and circumstances of his last journey were not at all out of keeping with the way he lived. With little rest and under the most adverse of conditions but with an appointment to keep and requested service to render, HALE was on his way over the rugged mountain frontiers of this Nation to assist a colleague.

HALE BOGGS served his Nation during perhaps the most challenging and eventful years in its history. He was first elected to Congress during the last throes of the Great Depression immediately before World War II. He served in the Armed Forces in that war. He came back to Congress and was a Member and a leader in this body through the cold war, the Korean conflict, during periods of unprecedented domestic social upheaval, and finally during the Vietnam war. We shall sorely miss the good counsel and sound judgment which experience of that depth and magnitude brought to this House.

It has been my privilege to have served with HALE BOGGS throughout his long tenure in this body. There are only 6 of us out of today's 435 Members who were either here before or came to Congress at the same time as HALE originally came. One of them is the gentleman from Louisiana who requested this special order today. I know he is, as I am, especially grieved at the passing of his dear friend and longtime colleague.

I had the special privilege of serving with HALE for over two decades on the Committee on Ways and Means. He was a most effective member of that committee in all of its areas of responsibility. In the field of taxation, he was an expert and for many years he was also a valued member of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation. All of us are quite well aware of his unflagging and devoted interests in the social security system and his untiring effort to improve it. And in the field of foreign trade he was an acknowledged authority. Coming from New Orleans, the Nation's second ranking port, it was natural that he should become a recognized leader in the promotion of fair and equitable international trade policies and practices. We are most certainly going to miss his sage advice and counsel in the new era of trade with China and Russia that appears on today's horizon.

Mr. Speaker, in some of the biographical accounts that are written about the life of HALE BOGGS, the last sentence may simply say that he died on an airplane flight from Anchorage to Juneau on October 16, 1972. But those of us who knew and loved and respected him know that HALE BOGGS' epitaph is indelibly written and will live forever in the annals of this House. It is spread upon the splendid record of progressive legislation over the past three decades resulting from his great leadership. It will always be associated with and reflected in the notable advance in the quality of life in this country that took place while he labored here among us.

In closing, Mr. Speaker, let me say that each and every one of us is heartened in the knowledge that his beloved widow and our very good friend and colleague, Lindy Boggs, is now a Member of this House. She is continuing the tradition of that induplicable brand of Boggs' New Orleans charm and effective leadership, which I am confident will continue to grace this Chamber and serve Louisiana and the United States for many years to come.

Mr. KYROS. Mr. Speaker, the recent tragic death of HALE BOGGS, our distinguished and beloved majority leader, came as a blow to the people of Louisiana whom he represented in Congress and to all the American people as well. One of our finest leaders was taken from us in the prime of his life and at the apex of his political career.

But HALE's death came as an especially severe blow to those of us who were privileged enough to serve with him in the House. We

who came to know him as a man will always remember him not only with deep respect and admiration but, perhaps even more importantly, with an abiding sense of genuine affection.

HALE BOGGS was a Congressman's Congressman, and this Chamber has seen no finer majority leader. A true friend to his colleagues, he could always be counted upon for his time, his advice, his expertise. Indeed, it is significant that death came to HALE while he was in the act of campaigning for one of his fellow Members.

And HALE BOGGS was a champion legislator. An expert in his field, few men knew or understood the intricacies of the legislative process so well.

HALE BOGGS has been sorely missed since his death, and his absence will continue to be felt for a long time to come. This Chamber was fortunate to have him for 30 years, and we are fortunate now to have in his place his distinguished and lovely wife Lindy, who has already taken up the task of representing her constituents and her country with distinction. We welcome her, knowing that her service will reflect credit not only on her late husband but on all America as well.

Mr. HANNA. Mr. Speaker, all of us in the Chamber have our own memories of HALE BOGGS. Mine date back 10 years to when I was a freshman Member of this body, and HALE went out of his way to help and encourage me in those first few months. It is a fitting comment on the character of the man that, at the time of the tragic airplane accident that took his life, HALE BOGGS was out campaigning for another freshman colleague.

HALE BOGGS was a great leader and a dedicated public servant in the true sense of the word. He had a deep and abiding faith in the American political system that guided his every action. But he was more than a great leader. He was a warm and generous person. He was not only a fine representative of the people of New Orleans, he was also the friend of all of us in this House and we miss him.

Mrs. Hanna joins me in expressing our deep sympathy to HALE's beloved wife, Lindy, and the rest of the family.

Mr. SMITH of Iowa. Mr. Speaker, I want to join my colleagues today in paying tribute to the memory of our distinguished colleague from Louisiana, the late Honorable HALE BOGGS. I speak with sadness of the shocking loss his death has been to me personally as well

as to his family and friends, and all those who have known and worked with HALE in the past years. It would be repetitious to cite the many, many instances when he displayed leadership and made contributions of lasting value to our Nation. Indeed, the Nation suffers when it loses such a man—a man who worked tirelessly to bring strong, responsive, and responsible leadership to his country.

My wife and I feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to know HALE and Mrs. Boggs for 20 years and to work with them. They have touched the lives of many and this will continue to live within all of us. His life and my memories of HALE will serve as an inspiration to me and many others for years to come. May we live and work to be a credit to his memory and the kind of leadership he offered to us.

My family and I extend our greatest sympathy to his wife and loved ones. HALE BOGGS will long be remembered. We have all lost a great man and this House will miss him.

Mr. COTTER. Mr. Speaker, it is with sadness that I take the floor to eulogize HALE BOGGS.

Members who worked with HALE for many years have eloquently paid tribute to his political talents and his affability and his courage. I only worked with HALE during the last Congress, but I came to know those qualities in him that were much admired by others.

I miss HALE very much, and it is a measure of his great family that his wife, Lindy, has joined this House in order to continue to work for those ideals that HALE fought so valiantly for.

Mr. MATHIS of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I rise to join with my colleagues in expressing the keen sense of loss that I feel in realizing that HALE BOGGS is no longer with us. I was only privileged to know HALE a short 2 years, I wish I might have known him longer. When I was first nominated by my party in September of 1970, HALE BOGGS was one of the first Members of this House who contacted me with an offer to be of assistance in any way that he might. This, I think, was one of his marks of greatness. He was always willing to be of assistance, not only to his constituents but to all of the peoples of this Nation, and certainly to his colleagues in this House.

HALE BOGGS always had time to talk to me, always had time to offer his advice and counsel, time to hear my problems and to help me find solutions.

As so many other of my distinguished colleagues have noted, we do miss HALE in this Chamber, and his people and his Nation also miss him. To all of his family, especially his lovely wife and our colleague, Lindy, we say thank you. Thank you for sharing HALE with us and with all mankind.

Mr. WINN. Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS will be sorely missed by his friends and colleagues. He was a man of rare qualities and a man I admired.

As one of the brightest Members of Congress, his leadership, advice, and counsel will be missed by all of us.

As a Republican Member of Congress, I have always been aware of our political differences and his belief in the principles of his party. But at no time did he ever put this partisanship above the good of our country.

Perhaps more than any man, HALE BOGGS recognized the imperfections of this institution. Yet he was totally dedicated to the Congress as an institution, and constantly worked to improve the system.

While I never had the pleasure of serving on a committee with him, I know that he took his work seriously and worked tirelessly on behalf of his constituents.

Mr. BRINKLEY. Mr. Speaker, this Nation lost one of its most noble and respected statesmen in the tragic accident last year which took the life of our friend and colleague, HALE BOGGS.

The late Adlai Stevenson once remarked:

Patriotism is not a short and frenzied outburst of emotion, but the tranquil and steady dedication of a lifetime.

This was certainly true of HALE. He was not only one of the greatest leaders the South has ever produced but an articulate and patriotic spokesman—as well as a tireless worker—for all the people of this great Nation.

HALE and I had mutual friends in Hiram Stanley and Wilbur Glenn, two outstanding citizens of Columbus, Ga. All of us worked together on my committee assignment as a new Member and I remain so grateful for this circle of friendship.

When HALE offered for majority leader it was my privilege to be a member of a unanimous State delegation supporting HALE from the beginning.

Much more could be said about HALE BOGGS, and rightly so. He was a widely respected leader—by his constituency in the Second District of Louisiana, by his colleagues in this body, and by people throughout the United States and, indeed, around the world.

In a very true sense, we all share in his loss. He was without question one of the most effective Representatives ever to serve in this Chamber.

Perhaps our distinguished colleague from Texas, Wright Patman, expressed the feelings of all of us the best when he said of HALE:

He died as he had lived—working unceasingly and unselfishly to help his colleagues, his party, and his country.

Mr. CAMP. Mr. Speaker, with the death of HALE BOGGS, the House of Representatives has lost a great leader, a good man. The distinguished majority leader was one of the most effective legislators ever sent to Congress, and his absence will affect every American more than most will ever know. HALE was always a statesman first voting his conscience on every rollcall.

To his constituents from the Second District of Louisiana whom he served so ably, HALE was a dedicated public servant, a man worthy to be returned to Congress for 28 years. Here in the House, he will be sorely missed by us all, on both sides of the aisle, both as a leader and a friend.

Mr. Speaker, we are fortunate to have Lindy Boggs, HALE's talented and lovely wife, to take his place in this Chamber. To her I offer my heartfelt sympathy and my hope that she and her family will be comforted by the high regard in which HALE was held by his colleagues and by the American people.

Mr. HENDERSON. Mr. Speaker, all of us have our own most vivid memories of our late beloved majority leader, HALE BOGGS.

One of mine goes back to 1964 and the trip of the "Lady Bird Special" through North Carolina.

The "Lady Bird Special" was a campaign whistlestop train which traveled through the eastern part of North Carolina and other Southern States during the presidential campaign.

At a convenient spot just before the train entered a particular congressional district, the Congressman from that district, together with his wife, would climb aboard and make a platform appearance with Lady Bird at the next stop.

HALE BOGGS rode that train for its entire trip and was usually the first to appear on the observation platform and speak at each stop. His personal magnetism and easy manner did much to make the trip a success and to make it much easier for all concerned.

I remember him as an effective speaker at a North Carolina Jefferson-Jackson Day dinner.

But, in addition to his partisan political activities, I remember him as an effective legislator. He had the unusual knack of being both firm and fair. While he never tried to press his colleagues beyond the point of propriety, he never failed to let us know what the majority position was; and when our votes were critically needed, he let us know it.

Finally, I remember him as a warmhearted person. A really nice guy who would always do you a favor if he could. It is typical that he apparently lost his life in an effort to help a Democratic colleague. How many Congressmen would undertake such a long and tiring trip which could not possibly bring any personal benefit to them?

I will remember HALE BOGGS as an example of what I like and admire about the Democratic Party.

Mr. VIGORITO. Mr. Speaker, I was saddened to learn of the tragic accident which took the life of one of my dearest friends in the U.S. Congress.

HALE BOGGS was one of the first Members in the 89th Congress to congratulate me and offer assistance as I began my first day as a Congressman in 1965. He was a strong leader in the House of Representatives and someone I could turn to for leadership in my early days as a Member of the House of Representatives.

I best remember and admire HALE BOGGS for his friendly and helpful demeanor during his work as majority whip and majority leader of the House of Representatives during the past 8 years I have been in Congress.

I will never forget Congressman Boggs for being easily accessible to his fellow Congressmen when we needed him concerning our work on Capitol Hill and other functions associated with being a Congressman.

He had a keen mind for the legislative process and I learned many aspects of legislative procedure from the majority leader. Many great pieces of legislation that have passed Congress during the

30-year career of HALE BOGGS are attributable to the leadership of the former U.S. Representative from Louisiana. I miss HALE BOGGS and the leadership he gave us in Congress, but most of all I miss HALE BOGGS the man, a true friend whom I shall never forget.

Mr. CARTER. Mr. Speaker, the late HALE BOGGS was a close friend of mine, and I join my colleagues in paying tribute to his distinguished and dedicated service to the citizens of our great country.

I shall always remember the time that we revived the legendary Order of the Rose. Realizing that our Nation was encountering particularly difficult periods of unrest, we sought—through the Order of the Rose—to reaffirm the fact that most Americans do have deep feelings for the great principles upon which the United States was founded. The small rose attached to one's clothing on the side of the heart would indicate one's belief in those higher principles.

HALE BOGGS never lost sight of our strength and our heritage, and he always attempted to do his part in keeping the good vessel United States on a proper course. We owe much to his leadership, and I am confident that this Chamber will always keep alive the spirit of our good friend HALE BOGGS.

Mr. MIZELL. Mr. Speaker, at this time I rise briefly to express my deep sorrow for the passing of our late distinguished majority leader, HALE BOGGS.

While serving on the opposite side of the aisle, I came to respect Mr. BOGGS as a man of great parliamentary skill and of fervent and deeply held beliefs, and as a strong and spirited partisan.

Majority Leader Boggs served in this Chamber with distinction for many years, and the House of Representatives, the Congress, his beloved State of Louisiana, and the Nation are all the better for his service here.

Mr. EILBERG. Mr. Speaker, the tragic death of HALE BOGGS last October deprived the Congress and the Nation of one of the most effective and eloquent leaders of our time. It is very difficult to put into words the deep sense of loss we have all felt in the months since his fatal trip to Alaska.

HALE BOGGS set an example that every young man going into politics might hope to follow. After winning a degree in journalism

and then a law degree at Tulane University, he led a reform movement against a corrupt political machine in New Orleans and was elected to the 77th Congress at the age of 26, thus becoming the youngest Member of the House of Representatives in 1941. Four years on active duty as a naval officer during World War II followed that first term in Congress, but he was reelected in 1946 and won every election after that despite the fact that his increasingly liberal views on civil rights aroused some strong opposition in his district.

HALE was undoubtedly one of the most eloquent speakers I have ever known. On the campaign trail through the South with Lady Bird Johnson in 1964 he could turn a hostile or indifferent crowd into a delighted one just by reciting the menu of the day—grits for breakfast, turnip greens and black-eye peas for lunch, and crayfish and creole gumbo for dinner. Nobody but HALE could make turnip greens sound exciting. He was one of the few Congressmen capable of reducing this House to a hushed silence whenever he spoke on the floor. It is often said that no speech ever changed a vote in Congress, but I would be willing to bet a lot of us were tempted whenever it was HALE BOGGS speaking.

HALE was an expert, too, on the intricacies of parliamentary procedure; a permanent delegate to the Interparliamentary Union from 1948 to 1962 and parliamentarian for the Democratic National Convention in 1964. It was one of the skills that made him so outstanding and effective as majority leader. His leadership as vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee from 1954 on was an invaluable asset to the Democratic Party. It is said that he convinced Lyndon Johnson to accept the nomination as Vice President in 1960, a decision which probably determined the outcome of that election and certainly had a monumental impact on our Nation's history. In the difficult circumstances of the August 1968 convention HALE again played a crucial role as chairman of the committee that wrote the Democratic platform.

A member of the Ways and Means Committee since 1949, HALE had tremendous expertise and a scholar's understanding of the complex fields of tax and trade legislation. He was one of the Nation's most outstanding and effective spokesmen for liberal foreign trade policies. Before his election as majority leader he served as the chairman of the House-Senate Subcommittee on Foreign Economic Policy

and also as a member of the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation. As the chairman of the Subcommittee on Highway Financing in the 84th Congress he was instrumental in the passage of the landmark legislation creating the Interstate Highway System.

It is easy to make a long, long list of HALE BOGGS' brilliant accomplishments as a Congressman and a political leader; it is much harder to adequately express the qualities which won him the admiration, affection, and respect of everyone who knew him. As a man and as a friend his unfailing courage, kindness, generosity, and good humor touched the lives of all of us. He inspired, advised, and befriended freshman Members. He was never too busy to help anyone who requested his assistance. He built bridges between North and South, liberal and conservative, rich and poor. He spoke eloquently for a national commitment to bring the poor and minority groups into the mainstream of our national life. He was a dedicated internationalist, a strong supporter of the United Nations, NATO, and the Common Market, and of America's commitment to build a lasting peace in the world.

The life and the work of HALE BOGGS are a marvelous legacy to his colleagues and to the Nation. In a sense they are not lost to us at all, for they were shared by his lovely and talented wife, Lindy, and will be carried on by her in his stead. The Congress and the American people are fortunate indeed to be represented by people like HALE and Lindy Boggs.

Mr. PICKLE. Mr. Speaker, it was my privilege to serve with HALE BOGGS in this House for many years, and I was deeply grieved by his passing. Over the years, HALE BOGGS and I became personal friends, and my respect for him grew continually as he became majority whip and eventually assumed the position of majority leader.

My wife, Beryl, and I grew to know and love HALE and Lindy Boggs. I am pleased that Lindy now sits in the House as a colleague, and I hope that we are all successful in fulfilling the great legacy that HALE BOGGS has left us.

When historians record the legislative record of the 1960's, I believe HALE BOGGS will be recognized as one of the great congressional leaders of the time. In addition to being a sagacious political strate-

gist and an adroit speaker, he possessed the scholarly perspective of a true intellect. Virtually every modern piece of trade and tax legislation was scrutinized and improved by him. His achievements as a Congressman will endure the most strenuous test of a public official's record, the test of time.

I will always remember HALE BOGGS as one of the most decisive, fearless, and dedicated men in American public life. I well recall witnessing many heated debates in this Chamber, and, always at the critical moment, he would rise to address the House in his commanding, clear, and logical manner. When he took his stand, it was always for the people, and his stands were compelling and effective.

Such were his qualities from his first venture into public office in 1940, when he waged a successful anticorruption campaign that earned him a seat in this House. These principles gave him the tenacity to overcome the natural and political barriers which then confronted a southern Congressman and to eventually become one of America's important national leaders.

As one of the definitive forces in American politics, HALE BOGGS worked tirelessly for the disadvantaged and sought a just standard of living for all. His constituents, recognizing the greatness which he nurtured, returned him to office time after time and supported him in the inevitably difficult decisions.

I suppose HALE never forgot the difficult road which brought him to Congress, because he always offered advice and counsel to every new Member that came to him. When I entered the House, he welcomed me with a smile and a friendly attitude. He encouraged exchanging opinions and thoughts and gave new Members confidence to become involved and take stands. His enthusiasm and knowledge was a great enticement which pulled many of us through the frustrating experiences of new Congressmen.

Through his years in office, HALE BOGGS gave complete and unrelenting loyalty to his country and his President. He was an invaluable ally of Speakers Sam Rayburn, John McCormack, and Carl Albert, and his personal loyalty and dedication to President Johnson was a beautiful thing to know.

He was also a loyal Democrat and served his party during some of its most trying times. As a vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee, as a parliamentarian of the party's convention

and as chairman of the 1968 platform committee, he demonstrated the same boundless drive which characterized his congressional career.

I considered HALE BOGGS one of my close personal friends. During our years of friendship he extended many courtesies to me which revealed the amazing depth of character he possessed. He was very nearly the perfect paradigm for a representative of the people. He always listened; he never acted impetuously. His compassion was tempered by an intellectual capacity that allowed him to view the course of this country in the perspective of history.

I consider it a privilege to have known HALE BOGGS, and I join all Americans in grieving his loss.

Mr. BRADEMAS. Mr. Speaker, I join other Members of the House of Representatives in paying tribute to the memory of our late and beloved colleague, HALE BOGGS.

Like all who came to know HALE BOGGS, I learned to respect the brilliance of his mind, to appreciate the warmth of his personality and keen sense of humor, and to admire the depth of his dedication to the House of Representatives and to the Nation which it serves.

There are several aspects of the career of HALE BOGGS that I found extraordinary.

HALE had a remarkable range of interests and was able to speak knowledgeably and with insight across a wide spectrum of areas of legislation but with particular understanding and leadership on measures affecting taxation, tariffs, social security, and public works, including flood control and waterways development.

For many years a member of the Committee on Ways and Means, he served as well on the Joint Economic Committee and the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation.

Mr. Speaker, it is no surprise that the combination of his abilities and personality resulted in his election in 1971 by his Democratic colleagues as majority leader of the House, a position he served with distinction and eloquence.

Mr. Speaker, HALE BOGGS was unfailingly kind to me, and the tragedy of his loss to us in the House and to the service of the Nation is assuaged only by the continuation in public service of his extraordinary wife, Lindy, for whom all who know her have such deep admiration and affection.

I suppose, Mr. Speaker, that there could be no finer tribute to the memory of HALE BOGGS than his fine son, Thomas Hale, Jr., and his two lovely daughters, Mrs. Paul Sigmund and Mrs. Steven Roberts. They too command the respect and affection of everyone who knows them.

Mr. Speaker, all of us will miss HALE BOGGS, but all of us must be grateful for his life.

Mr. REES. Mr. Speaker, it is very difficult to put into words one's feelings over the death of a close and admired colleague, especially when that person is HALE BOGGS. It is hard to believe that HALE is no longer with us. He was so much a part of the House of Representatives and his strong and enlightened leadership has done so much to shape the direction not only of the legislative branch of Government, but of our country.

HALE helped me through the difficult time of being a freshman in the House with a firm and understanding hand while at the same time, as the majority whip, he was helping to guide the history-making programs of President Johnson through the 89th Congress. His political courage, his sponsorship, and his leadership on innovative legislation served as a beacon for all of us to follow.

He died as he lived. A strong leader in the Congress; a dedicated man spending the few moments between congressional sessions in helping his colleagues in a difficult election year.

Those of us who knew and worked with HALE BOGGS are richer because of that experience, an experience which will help light our way to a better future.

Mr. ST GERMAIN. Mr. Speaker, in more than a decade of service in this great body, seldom have I had the opportunity to meet, work with, and learn from a man as great in intellect and ability as that of our much beloved and respected majority leader, HALE BOGGS.

His death is a loss not only to his family and friends, but a loss to the great democratic institution in which he served and to the American people.

I well remember in first coming to Congress that HALE was one of those who was always available to assist a new Member in whatever way possible. The hours I have spent learning the legislative

process from him, I am sure, will stand me in good stead throughout my congressional years.

HALE BOGGS' intellect, unmatched, and superlative parliamentary skill made him one of the most effective and persuasive Members this body will ever see. He was truly a legislator who represented not just his district or his State, but the wishes, desires, and aspirations of all Americans.

He was recognized both at home and abroad as an important, influential legislator. His opinions and observations were eagerly sought by Presidents and other heads of state throughout the world.

But the mark of the "Legislator's Legislator" is that at all times never did HALE place himself above the people or his fellow legislators. He was always available to listen, discuss, and give advice when asked. But his advice was never given out of arrogance but always out of sympathy and understanding. His ability to work with people, his affection, his friendship, and loyalty will never be forgotten by anyone who was fortunate enough to come in contact with him.

Mr. Speaker, I knew HALE BOGGS as a Member of the House, as majority whip and as majority leader. As HALE grew in knowledge, understanding, and stature, so did this body grow. No words of mine could adequately describe his spirit and his consuming compassion to have the rights of all heard and listened to in this Chamber.

No words can express the loss of this leader to our country. Perhaps we can best preserve the memory of this great man by attempting to emulate his virtues. Mrs. St Germain and I extend our deepest sympathy to his lovely wife, Lindy. Certainly the Boggs family can take great comfort and pride in the high esteem and respect which all of us held for our beloved friend.

Mr. ROSTENKOWSKI. Mr. Speaker, the passing of a close friend is not something that is easily put behind you. For moments shared together leave lasting impressions that cannot be so suddenly taken away. This has been especially true for me with the passing of my good friend from Louisiana, HALE BOGGS. For, although HALE is no longer with us, memories of our relationship linger on.

I regret that I was not able to be here on the day that the distinguished chairman of the Armed Services Committee reserved time to pay tribute to the late majority leader, but I do hope that what I say today can be added to the remarks of so many of my colleagues

who have paid their respects both to the man and to what he stood for in this Chamber.

Very early during my days in the Congress, I grew to know HALE BOGGS. I saw him both in the Committee on Ways and Means and in his majority whip office. I saw him as a determined man, but as a man who carefully considered any problem confronting him before acting. But, also, I saw a man who, once he had acted—acted with conviction and with authority. He was an able and knowledgeable debater who was never reluctant to speak his mind. I can remember in the 1960's, sitting with him in his office as he struggled with the problems in our "Great Society" programs. The passage of these bills has often been attributed to the courageous stand that HALE took behind so many of them. I know that his efforts to temper these programs to make them acceptable to the great mass of middle Americans, while at the same time carefully protecting the principles embodied in them, will stand as one of the most difficult legislative achievements in many years. The pens that he received from both President Kennedy and President Johnson for his work on these matters were among his most cherished mementos.

His election as majority leader stood as a truly significant step in his tragically abbreviated career. The ability to work well with all the diverse groups that make up the democratic majority in the Congress is an ability that few men possess. HALE BOGGS was one of these men. We can now only speculate as to what his full legacy might have been had he had the opportunity to work with us for only a while longer.

In this body where the divisive issues of the day often promote more disagreement than harmony and camaraderie, it is impossible for us all to agree on every issue, and HALE and I were not immune from this. The differences that we had however, we never allowed to penetrate to the core of our relationship. We had the unique ability to disagree strongly yet remain strong friends.

To his dear wife, Lindy, I would like to say that I will indeed miss him. I will miss the good times and the tough times. They are experiences that are a part of me and I shall cherish them forever.

Mr. ECKHARDT. Mr. Speaker, there is widespread agreement among the Members of the House of Representatives that HALE BOGGS was superbly skilled in the art of debate and oratory. On one

important occasion, upon consideration of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1970, HALE BOGGS took the floor to support an amendment to provide for the recording of teller votes in the Committee of the Whole. The bill was passed, with the addition of the important teller vote provision.

Adoption of the recorded teller vote has had a significant impact on the House of Representatives. Because of the long range significance of the reform, it is fitting to remember HALE BOGGS for, amongst his many other honorable positions and great achievements, his active and eloquent support of the amendment. Following is the speech which he made that day:

Mr. Boggs. Mr. Chairman, I might say to my good friend, the gentleman from Ohio, that the gentleman from California had already had 10 minutes, but I appreciate the gentleman's courtesy.

Mr. Chairman, in my judgment this is indeed a historic day. This is a day which will make the House of Representatives truly relevant.

As is the case with so many of the rules of this Chamber, the procedure known as teller voting is deeply rooted in the legislative process. Its origin can be traced centuries ago when the British Parliament devised it as a method of voting the will of the people while escaping the wrath of a powerful and vengeful monarch. One hundred and thirty-eight years ago, when Parliament no longer had reason to fear the Crown, the system was reformed to permit a public record of votes. Unfortunately, with never a King to fear and only the public to serve, this rule has been retained in the House of Representatives. We did so because we said it helped expedite the often slow legislative process. Unfortunately, it has also been used as a shelter from the public eye.

I do not believe representative government can afford the luxury of a shelter from the public eye. The American people are entitled to know the recorded judgment of each Member on the great issues of our time. We cannot ask our people to respect our institution unless the institutions themselves are self-critical and self-reforming.

As a majority whip, it is my responsibility to inform Members of legislation pending on the floor and to encourage their attendance whenever votes are taken. In my opinion, teller voting, as it is now conducted, is a hindrance rather than an assistance to the majority whip. Important amendments are often adopted or defeated in the Committee of the Whole House by a small fraction of the total membership of the House. The truth is, the system of teller voting is a major contributor to absenteeism. This proposal to record teller votes would be a major step toward encouraging the full participation by all parties in forging the law of the land. In this respect, this amendment would be a great assistance to the majority and minority whips, and I think to the fair and full operation of the legislative process.

We hear a great deal of talk these days about the unresponsiveness of our institutions. The founders of this country never intended its institutions to be inflexible and set in their ways. The architects of our Government intended its three branches to be capable of growth and continuous self-renewal. This is the real import of this bill and the real significance of this amendment. For these reasons, I support this amendment and I urge all my colleagues to do so also.

This is not a liberal amendment. It is not a conservative amendment. It is not a Republican amendment. It is not a Democratic amendment. It is an amendment for this House of Representatives.

When the people and the media say that this House has ceased to be relevant, then, Mr. Chairman, if true, American democracy has ceased to be relevant.

When the people assert that the House of Representatives is not representative, then the last best hope of mankind has been lost. Because if we are not representative, then no institution is.

I have given my life to this Chamber. I love it and the Republic for which it stands. Come September 10, I will observe the 30th anniversary of my first election to the House. I came here when I was 26 years of age.

Today I am proud of the fact that I have a son who wants to come here, too. He believes that service here is a high calling. With all due deference to my colleagues on the Republican side, I hope that he is elected. I am doing everything I can to help him. He thinks the House is relevant. I think it is relevant.

But I know that this system of teller votes is not relevant. I have served for 15 years here as whip or as deputy whip, and there have been countless occasions when I have spent hours and days attempting to get members to come here and do their duty and walk through that teller line and vote.

I know this so-called hanky-panky in the cloakrooms. I know how some conservatives say, "Well, we can make a deal with the liberals." And some liberals say, "we can make a deal with the conservatives." And the beat goes on.

Well, we really do not govern that way. Those deals seldom have worked out. The pressures are too great on both sides on major issues.

All we are saying by this amendment is that the archaic system adopted some centuries ago to protect the Members of Parliament from despotic kings should be abolished in the House of Representatives of the United States of America as it was in the House of Commons many years ago.

We are saying, "Let a man stand up and be counted." What is wrong with that? Tell me what is wrong with being counted if one is a Representative. If you do not want to be counted, why did you come here in the first place, and why do most of us seek to return to this historic Chamber?

Finally, one last thought. A story is told in history about one of the great men who helped found this country, Alexander Hamilton.

Hamilton brought a visitor into the gallery of the old House Chamber, now Statuary Hall. The visitor sat with Hamilton and noting the pandemonium

on the floor, which you frequently see in this body even as of this day, questioned Mr. Hamilton, "What goes on there? And Hamilton replied, "There, sir—there, sir, the people govern."

Well, here, Mr. Chairman, almost two centuries later, the people must continue to govern. Let us support this amendment.

Mr. WHALEN. Mr. Speaker, for over a quarter of a century our late majority leader, HALE BOGGS, represented with distinction the people of Louisiana and the Nation in this great legislative body.

In reviewing recently a list of the committees on which HALE served during his House tenure, I was struck by the variety of his assignments which ranged from Banking and Currency to Ways and Means, and from special committees and subcommittees dealing with such varied matters as elections, narcotics, foreign trade policy, and highway financing. HALE also was a member of the Joint Economic Committee and the Joint Committee on Internal Revenue Taxation, in addition to the service he rendered to several Presidential commissions.

The appointments of HALE to these committees, many of which were made early in his House career, certainly attest to his abilities and to the high regard in which he was held. These assignments also gave him a depth of knowledge surpassed by few of his peers. Thus, it is understandable why he became known as a "Legislator's Legislator" and rose to the position of majority leader. Indeed, HALE was a great asset to the House, and we are fortunate to have had the opportunity to serve with him.

Mr. Speaker, Mrs. Whalen joins me in extending our sympathy to Mrs. Boggs and her family.

May HALE rest in peace.

Mr. ROONEY of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, I would like to take this opportunity to offer a few remarks about my friend and colleague, the late HALE BOGGS of Louisiana.

The pervading sense of loss which all of us feel who were privileged to serve with him in the Congress, is shared by all Americans who recognize the contributions his leadership made to the quality of life in this country. His passing was, of course, a particular loss to the Democratic Party which he served so ably in his capacity as majority leader of the House of Representatives.

THOMAS HALE BOGGS began his congressional career as the youngest Democrat in the 77th Congress and very early became the protege

of Speaker Sam Rayburn, who realized his tremendous leadership potential. Except for the years between 1942 and 1946 when he served in the Armed Forces, he represented his constituents in each successive Congress.

His legislative career can be characterized by a genuine concern for people and a desire to do everything within his power to improve the lives of millions of Americans. His far-flung interests in legislation included stiffening penalties for narcotics dealers, flood control and harbor development, adequate trade policies, public housing, social security, and equitable taxation.

It is characteristic that HALE BOGGS was helping a democratic colleague at the time of his disappearance. His warmth and willingness to give unselfishly of his time had made him a popular and effective spokesman for the Democratic Party throughout the entire Nation. He was to have made an appearance on my own behalf in Bethlehem, Pa., several days after his scheduled return from Alaska.

The astute judgment with which HALE BOGGS analyzed the issues is sorely missed in this time of national turmoil. My memories of his devotion to the improvement of the quality of American life and to the effective functioning of the legislative branch of Government will remain with me always.

In view of his excellent record of representation for his constituency, I am especially proud to welcome Mrs. Boggs to carry on that tradition of service.

Mr. EDWARDS of California. Mr. Speaker, this is a special yet sad occasion for me as I join my colleagues to memorialize HALE BOGGS, the late Representative from the Second Congressional District of Louisiana. His sudden and tragic departure from these Chambers has taken something away from each of us who knew him, and for each of us the loss will have different dimensions.

I recall the great impact HALE BOGGS had on me personally as a new Member of Congress from California and as a member of the Judiciary Committee of the House which had just reported out the monumental Voting Rights Act of 1965. Here was this man, born in Mississippi and raised in Louisiana, who publicly declared he was going to vote for the Civil Rights bill. He, almost alone, with his background rooted in the heritage of the Deep South and withstanding tremendous political pressures, stood up and led the way on this

historic piece of legislation. We all know what happened. This courageous act in the national interest resulted immediately in very difficult primary campaigns for him but the good sense of the people of New Orleans shone through and toward the end of his remarkable life, HALE BOGGS was rejected by larger and larger majorities.

HALE BOGGS was our majority whip who always would have time to talk and give guidance as a personal friend as well as a political leader. He had a remarkably good and cheerful nature. His inclination was always to ask about members of the family. I recall how frequently he inquired about Len, my oldest son, whom he had met on a number of occasions.

And I want to pay tribute, too, to what in retrospect can only be called his really remarkable intuitive powers when he was so correctly concerned about the policies of the Department of Justice and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. He knew he was right, and in another remarkable act of political and personal courage, he documented his concern over policies he viewed as destructive of civil liberties in front of the whole world on the floor of the House. For this act, he received tremendous personal abuse and ridicule. But was he not really right? Was it not a mammoth contribution and are we not very grateful for that?

As a true statesman, HALE was able to represent his beloved Second District by reflecting his constituents' concerns in the Halls of Congress and by leading citizens to new understandings of our human potential in this Nation. He gave important leadership to his party, special attention to those he represented, and significant insight to the human community through his legislative activity.

Einstein once said that it is a gentleman's first duty to put back into this world at least as much as he takes from it. I submit that HALE BOGGS exceeded this requirement many times, to the benefit of us all.

Finally, there is solace that this unique man, so suddenly and tragically removed from the Halls of Congress where he was such a good friend and courageous leader to so many of us, is succeeded by his wife Lindy Boggs who was always a full partner in the political life of HALE and who has already made important contributions to this House and to the people of Louisiana and to the Nation.

Mr. HAYS. Mr. Speaker, I join in paying tribute to my good friend, HALE BOGGS, whose death came as a great shock, leaving me with a feeling of deep personal loss.

He was loyal to his friends; tolerant and understanding with his opponents; faithful to his responsibilities; proud of the House of Representatives; a dedicated member of the Democratic Party, and an unreconstructed American.

Small wonder, then, that his colleagues in the Congress will miss HALE BOGGS—will miss his unfailing friendliness, courtesy and consideration as he worked diligently with us to meet the great challenges of our times.

I consider it a real privilege to have had the opportunity to know HALE and to have been closely associated with him in the many experiences and decisions which we shared.

To his lovely wife, Lindy, and to the members of his wonderful family, Tommy, Barbara and Corinne, I give my warm sincere sympathy.

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TUESDAY, *October 17, 1972.*

Mr. LONG. Mr. President, the Nation, especially those of us who serve in Congress, and those of us who hail from Louisiana, are extremely dismayed at the bad news that a plane carrying the majority leader of the House of Representatives, the Honorable HALE BOGGS, is missing. A search is due to resume again in about 1 hour in the effort to find the lost plane.

At this moment we can only pray that this is not the type disaster which we all fear. Representative Nick Begich and some of his staff were aboard the plane with Representative Boggs.

Our sympathy goes to his family and loved ones at this time. We pray for Representative Boggs and Representative Begich, and their companions, and we all hope the results of the search today may be favorable. We extend our sympathies to Mrs. Boggs in this hour of sorrow, and also the Boggs family.

Mr. MANSFIELD. Mr. President, I wish to join with the distinguished Senator from Louisiana in the statements which he has just made about the situation which confronts Representative HALE BOGGS and Representative Nick Begich, of Alaska.

When the White House called me last night about the possibility that something might have happened, I was, of course, very much distressed. But the search is still going on. I hope that it will be possible to rescue these two men and their companions. In the meantime, we all join with the distinguished Senator from Louisiana in praying for the survival of all members on the aircraft and for their safe return soon to Washington.

Mr. LONG. Mr. President, the latest information available to me is that the search will resume at about noon, Washington time,

which is approximately 7 o'clock Alaskan time. Prior to that time organized search is not possible. Daybreak occurs in the next hour and at that point the search by, I believe, 35 or more planes will resume. We hope very much it will be successful.

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, my colleague from Alaska (Mr. Gravel) and I have had a great many questions and comments from Senators and Members of the other body and interested friends of the distinguished Representative Nick Begich and the distinguished majority leader of the House of Representatives, HALE BOGGS, who are reported lost on a plane that left Anchorage yesterday morning destined for Juneau. There has been much concern about them.

I have some press reports from the Anchorage morning newspaper, and I should like to say, as I have just said to the distinguished Senator from Louisiana (Mr. Long), that if this report, as contained in the newspaper, is correct, it states that a plane reportedly was heard over Whittier by a dockworker around 9:30 a.m., Monday. The article reads, in part:

A Whittier area construction worker said he heard a light plane over the Whittier region at about 9:30 a.m. Monday, the Whittier Chief of Police told The Daily News Monday night. A regularly scheduled Polar Airways craft headed by Valdez normally passes Whittier at that time, but had been rescheduled to fly a different route Monday. The Daily News learned.

If that plane got through Whittier, and that was along a path that was in pretty bad condition—the path between Anchorage and Whittier—then I should say that there is at least a 50-50 chance that the two Congressmen in the Cessna-310 plane are down somewhere around Cordova—between Cordova and Yakutat—and that is good country to put a plane down in an emergency. It is the place where the Senator from Mississippi goes duck hunting, so he knows the area very well, as do all of us who are sportsmen.

I want to assure the Senator from Louisiana that his good friend and my good friend were with a very experienced pilot. Don Jonz has been in Alaska some 15 years. He has written an article on instrument flying in the Alaska area, and he has flown my colleague, Senator Gravel, and his wife. He had a very new plane, a Cessna-310, a twin-engine plane that we rely on a great deal in our area.

For some statistics, I called the Air Force about their search and rescue capability, and they pointed out that so far this year they

have had 161 rescue missions and have located 573 people. They have a search going on that covers a 4,000-square-mile area, and they have 23 planes out and some 400 small boats searching the coastline, which is some 550 to 600 miles, between Anchorage and Juneau.

So I would hope, as I told the Senator's friend and mine, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, when I called him and told him some of these things, that everyone will maintain the hope that our friends will be found alive and well, after having had a close call. If anyone had a good chance to come through a situation like this they did, because of the plane they had and the pilot they had, and I think we have the best search and rescue capability in the country, so I am confident that everything is being done that can be done. Governor Egan has organized our National Guard to assist, the Civil Air Patrol is assisting, the Coast Guard is involved, and the Air Force is involved. I want to assure the Senate that if we can answer questions in this way, we will state that we have hopes our colleagues will be found alive and well.

I ask unanimous consent that these reports from the Anchorage Daily News be printed in the Record at this point.

SEARCH COVERS HUGE AREA

(By Howard Weaver)

Aircraft from Anchorage, Yakutat and Juneau swept about 24,000 square miles of Alaska coastline Monday looking for the missing congressmen.

Shortly after 2 p.m. the Cessna 310 airplane was reported overdue in Juneau and six search planes were in the air moments later. A U.S. Coast Guard C130 took off from Juneau, an FAA C47 began searching the Yakutat area and three planes were dispatched from Anchorage to join the effort.

"Figuring who's on board and all, it's going to be one hell of a search," an official at the Rescue Coordination Center in Anchorage said late Monday.

All the aircraft set down for the night except a C130 from Elmendorf Air Force Base, which was to continue an electronic search throughout the night.

The missing plane was equipped with an emergency-locator transmitter, which is designed to broadcast the location of the plane in the event of a crash. The range of the device is said to be up to 150 miles, but no contact was made during the evening.

The search enlisted the help of Civil Air Patrol planes from Anchorage in addition to the Air Force craft. CAP planes from Cordova were scheduled to join the effort, but were unable to get off the ground, according to RCC personnel.

Early speculation from some observers was that the missing plane was probably down somewhere in the Whittier area, about 60 miles southeast of Anchorage.

The pilot of the plane, Don E. Jonz of Fairbanks, made radio contact only once after leaving Anchorage International Airport at 9 a.m. That was 12 minutes into the flight, which would have placed the plane in the vicinity of Portage Pass, just northwest of Whittier.

Jack Peck, manager of Anchorage International Airport and pioneer Alaska pilot, said severe turbulence and extreme icing was reported in the pass and that the unpressurized airplane would have been unable to climb above it.

Peck, who planned to search the area in his own plane today, said the military lost a helicopter in the pass a number of years ago but that "most pilots have a lot of respect for the pass and are real careful."

"The pass is about 2,500 feet between here and Whittier. After that, it's clear sailing. There is a very good prospect that would be where they are," Peck said.

When pilot Jonz called Anchorage 12 minutes after takeoff, he filed a flight plan for a VFR (visual flight rules) path to Juneau, following route Victor 317, which goes from Anchorage to Portage, Whittier, Johnstone Point south of Cordova and then down the Southeast Alaska coast to Harbor Point, and due east to Sisters Island and Juneau Municipal Airport.

A Whittier-area construction worker said he heard a light plane over the Whittier region at about 9:30 a.m. Monday, the Whittier chief of police told The Daily News Monday night. A regularly scheduled Polar Airways craft headed for Valdez normally passes Whittier at that time, but had been re-scheduled to fly a different route Monday, The Daily News learned. That led to speculation that the aircraft heard in Whittier was the missing plane.

No radio or other contact was made with the plane after that.

Ed Shepard, a boat pilot in Whittier, said Monday evening that the weather had been "pretty rough" in the area all day. He said that he would use his boat to search the area today, weather permitting. According to his report seas in the sound were running to 14 feet, with poor visibility and water temperatures at about 37 degrees.

The FAA's Anchorage Flight Service Station reported that another light aircraft flew the Whittier route Monday afternoon, and was forced to turn back to Anchorage. They said that the craft was in the area at 5:25 p.m. and encountered "light to moderate rime icing," which coats aircraft wings with frost-like covering and makes flying dangerous.

Water temperature in the sound averages in the low 40's at this time of year, and could be colder closer to glacial shores.



CAMPAIGN MORATORIUM; DEMOS PONDER ELECTION

(By Andy Williams)

Rep. Nick Begich's Republican opponent in the race of Alaska's lone U.S. House seat said Monday night he would hold a moratorium on his campaign until the congressmen are found.

State Sen. Don Young of Ft. Yukon, reached in Wrangell on a campaign stop, said he was confident Begich and Rep. HALE BOGGS, D-La., would be found safely, but that he was curtailing his campaign until they were.

Meanwhile, Democratic party leaders pondered steps they would have to take if the worst occurred. Officials said procedures were simple, that the Democratic State Central Committee would meet and choose a successor-candidate, but that the nearness of the election and the uncertainty of Begich's fate made what would happen as a practical matter extremely speculative.

"Anytime a public servant such as Nick Begich takes time to travel around the state to see his constituents and this happens, it's a sad day for the state," said Young, adding that he had flown more than 40,000 miles during the campaign.

"There is no way I can continue the campaign on the same level without knowing where he is," Young said. "We were going to have debates and discuss the issues. We'll just have to wait until he's found to continue the campaign," he said.

Young said there were dangers to a politician inherent in campaigning by air. He said he had a close experience last week on a chartered flight between Bethel and Fairbanks when the plane iced up.

"But air is the only way to travel in an election. It's a risk you have to take," Young said.

Democratic Party spokesmen said speculation about what the 29-member state central committee would do was premature until the plane was found. They indicated the committee would do nothing to appoint a candidate even if Begich is still missing at the time of the Nov. 7 election. If that happened, they said, Gov. William A. Egan could seek a special election.

A party spokesman said the central committee has the power under state law to appoint persons to vacated candidacies for House seats but not to unexpired House terms.

The governor appoints persons to vacated seats in the Senate.

As BOGGS noted at a speech at Sunday night's fund-raising banquet for Begich, the House of Representatives is "the only place you can get to where you must be elected.

"One can become president if he happens to be vice president and the president dies or if he's speaker of the House and the vice president dies. One can be appointed to the United States Senate by the governor, but you must be elected to the House of Representatives, it's the only way you can get there. And it is indeed, the most responsive institution in our country."

The central committee spokesman said, "The central committee would hear applications, solicit people and the majority opinion of the committee would appoint him," the spokesman said. However, he said that ballots had already gone to the printers and that a new candidate would have a serious disrupting effect on the campaign.

He noted that many people have been found alive two weeks or more after their planes had gone down and said he was confident that what he described

as the most intensive air search in Alaska's history would locate the plane and the two congressmen alive.

"If he's still missing a week from now, then we will have to cross that bridge when we get to it," he said.



EXPERIENCED PILOT: JONZ IN ALASKA 15 YEARS

Don E. Jonz, pilot of the plane which disappeared Monday with Congressman Nick Begich of Alaska and HALE BOGGS of Louisiana aboard, had more than 15 years experience flying in Alaska and had recently written a magazine article on techniques of flying through ice.

Jonz, 38, owner of Pan-Alaska Airways of Fairbanks, came to Alaska from California around 1957 and has flown extensively with charter operations and training schools in Fairbanks. He started his present company about 1967 and carried cargo to the North Slope during the Prudhoe Bay oil buildup. He presently was operating with about seven planes, according to Fairbanks sources.

Jerry Hook, a friend of Jonz in Fairbanks who participated with him in international air races, said Jonz had "well over 10,000 hours" flight time. "I have no questions at all about his flying. He was a very good flier."

Another source said John liked to "help out the people he thought were doing the right thing for Alaska." Jonz has flown Sen. Mike Gravel on various speaking tours.

Jonz wrote an article about airplane icing which appeared in the publication, "Instrument Flying 1973." The article related experiences Jonz had flying through ice in Alaska and included pointers on how to avoid the hazards.

Jonz wrote that correct judgment and flying techniques could overcome the effects of ice. "If you are sneaky, smart and careful you can fly 350 days a year and disregard 99 per cent of the b.s. you hear about icing," Jonz wrote.

Another long-time Alaska flier who read the article said it discounted some of the serious effects icing has on flight characteristics of airplanes.

"I think he should have treated icing with a little more respect," he said.



LOST PLANE HIGHLY RATED

The aircraft which carried House Majority Leader HALE BOGGS and Alaska Congressman Nick Begich was a model 310 Cessna, a twin-engined, six-passenger craft which is highly rated by many Alaska pilots.

Their plane was N1812 H, which was manufactured in 1959. It was owned by Pan-Alaska Airways, Ltd., a Fairbanks-based air-charter service.

Don E. Jonz, pilot of the plane and owner of Pan-Alaska, was described by one local pilot as "one of the best drivers there is." He had been owner of the air service for a number of years.

The aircraft was equipped with an emergency locator transmitter, which was designed to start operating on impact and transmit a radio beacon so the plane could be located if it crashed. The range is listed as "up to 150 miles" but contact must be made on a line-of-sight basis. That means that if the plane were in a valley, it would be necessary to fly directly over the downed aircraft.

Specifications for a 1959 model, such as the one which carried the congressmen, were not available, but the listing for the 1973 version indicate great range and speed for the craft.

The newest 310 Cessna aircraft is capable of cruising at 221 miles per hour, and can fly for 960 miles without refueling with a six-man load.

With a load of 4,000 pounds, the new model needs about 600 feet for landing.



BEGICH AND BOGGS MISSING

House Majority Leader HALE BOGGS, D-La., Rep. Nick Begich, D-Alaska, and two others aboard a twin-engine plane were missing and believed down today en route from Anchorage to Juneau.

The Pan-Alaska Airways Cessna 310, piloted by Don E. Jonz and also carrying special assistant to Begich, Russel L. Brown, was scheduled to fly through treacherous weather in 3,000-foot-high Portage Pass near Whittier on the 3-hour, 30-minute trip Monday.

The plane with Boggs, who holds the second most powerful position in the U.S. House, left Anchorage International Airport at 9 a.m. and was last heard from at 9:12 a.m., when Federal Aviation Administration officials received a visual flight plan filed by Jonz.

About that time, the twin-engine craft would have been approaching the Turnagain Arm entrance to Portage Pass, the lowest cut in the nearby 5,000-7,000-foot mountains of the Chugach Range.

"We assume the plane is down," an FAA spokesman said after the time had passed when the craft would have exhausted its fuel supply.

The Rescue Coordination Center (RCC) at Elmendorf Air Force Base dispatched search craft 90 minutes after the FAA first reported that the plane had failed to arrive at 12:30 p.m. Anchorage time as scheduled. The RCC said that today it planned to direct 32 aircraft on a search of the 24,000 square miles of Alaska coastline where the plane might have gone down.

Boggs was to be keynote speaker at a 6 p.m. fund-raising dinner for Begich at the Baranof Hotel in Juneau before catching a 7 p.m. jet to Seattle and on to Washington for resumption of Congress Tuesday morning.

The plane with Boggs and Begich had a cruising speed of about 200 miles an hour, a ceiling limited to about 10,000 feet due to lack of a pressurized cabin, and carried an emergency beacon, a five-hour gas supply, and unspecified survival gear.

An Air Force HC130, electronically equipped to locate the Cessna's emergency beacon, was to fly through the night, searching for the plane bearing registration number N1812H along the 80-mile path the plane might have traveled from Anchorage over Whittier, Prince William Sound, Cordova and Yakutat to Juneau.

FAA flight service stations all along this 550-mile route reported no sign of the Cessna, although a plane reportedly was heard over Whittier by a dock worker around 9:30 a.m.

Darkness forced two Civil Air Patrol planes from Anchorage, two CAP planes and a Coast Guard C130 from Juneau and an FAA C47 from Yakutat to curtail the search until this morning.

Polar Airways, Ltd., which normally flies a plane from Cordova to Anchorage through Portage Pass around 9:30 a.m., reported that Monday its plane took a circuitous route partially to avoid heavy icing conditions and poor visibility in the pass.

Upon hearing of conditions in the pass, a pilot who has flown the route said "They had pretty much everything against them." The National Weather Service reported low visibility and some turbulence around Portage Pass. Prince William Sound, just minutes beyond Portage, was seething with 14 foot waves whipping the cold waters along the wooded shores.

Anchorage International Airport manager Jack Peck said that Portage Pass was battered by extreme turbulence and heavy icing conditions.

An FAA spokesman said, "If you knew the plane had been in trouble, or had broken the flight plan, normal procedure would have been to establish radio contact. There could be many circumstances like a malfunctioning radio or out of radio range that could cause us to lose contact. But the plane passed its fuel exhaustion time (at 2 p.m. Anchorage time) and we assume that the airplane is down."

National Transportation Safety Board spokesman William Moore said the Cessna had a radio beacon, but "so far, we haven't heard a squeak out of it."

About 400 boats from Cordova also reportedly were searching around Hinchinbrook Island in Prince William Sound, about 80 miles from Portage Pass.

Juneau was partially socked in and an Alaska Airlines plane overheaded to Sitka early Monday, but by the time Boggs and Begich were scheduled to arrive visibility was 12 miles.

Begich's administrative assistant, Gene Kennedy, who flew to Sitka and returned to Anchorage Monday afternoon while trying to land in Juneau via Alaska Airlines, said, "When I first heard about it, they still had about 40 minutes more gas, so I didn't become alarmed until then. There are supposed to be 32 planes going out in the morning but I don't know whether that the case now with the weather kind of rainy and cloudy."

Kennedy said that Brown, who has a child and five stepchildren, had been recently promoted to coordinator of Begich's three state offices in Anchorage,

Juneau and Fairbanks. Prior to joining Begich's staff here, Brown had run every Begich campaign in Ketchikan since 1964.

Boggs, the 58-year-old 14-term congressman, was Democratic whip from 1962 to 1970, when he became House majority leader.

Begich, a first term congressman who recently rolled up a convincing primary vote, is a former school teacher, apartment manager and two-term Alaska state senator.

Jonz, 38, president of Pan Alaska, had been flying in Alaska since 1957. One friend said, he had logged more than 10,000 flying hours.



EGAN: "JUST HOPE AND PRAY"

(By Linda Billington)

Shock and dismay from both sides of the Alaska political fence greeted the news Monday that Congressmen Nick Begich and HALE BOGGS were missing on a flight from Anchorage.

Gov. William A. Egan said he would "just hope and pray that later tonight or sometime in the morning we can find out where these people are. I feel that the ones working (on the search) are doing as good a job as possible."

Egan said he had talked with Mrs. Boggs, Begich's wife Pegge and son Tom in Washington, as well as the wife of Russel Brown, Begich's special assistant who was on the plane. He said that neighbors are staying with Mrs. Begich.

Egan recalled several emergency flights he and Mrs. Egan had experienced in Alaska—all of which landed safely, "I hope and pray that's the way it is," he said. "I'm disheartened that up to this time there has been no detection of a beeper. If they had to land on a beach somewhere, that beeper should have been heard."

U.S. Sen. Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, struck an optimistic note, saying that "people should not give up hope because there were several spots where the plane could have set down.

"There are a lot of beaches along there," he said. "I've flown along there many times. There are four or five emergency fields along the line where an airplane could land.

"I just hope everybody doesn't give up hope. I remember when I put down a couple of times where there was no phone, because of the weather . . . I'd say the odds are in favor of them turning up somewhere with a pilot like (Don) Jonz."

State Rep. Gene Guess, who has been campaigning for Stevens' U.S. Senate seat, said that he and Begich had planned a 10-day campaign tour of Southeastern. Guess said that he had suspended his campaign indefinitely.

"We were scheduled to meet each other in Ketchikan tomorrow, and were supposed to be at a luncheon in Wrangell and a dinner at Petersburg, with the whole week planned together in the Southeast," he said late Monday.

Two of Begich's former compatriots in the state legislature, State Sens. Lowell Thomas, R-Anchorage, and Chancy Croft, D-Anchorage, had been planning to fly to Kenai Monday morning but cancelled the flight because the weather was too rough.

"My wife and I drove down instead, and it was terrible in the Portage area," said Thomas, a private pilot. "There were some of the strongest winds I've ever seen."

Thomas said his first reaction was "What can I do?" "I have a plane, and if they need anyone I'll take it out to search," he said.

Croft said he had known Begich for several years and noted of his performance in the legislature. "I think he could store more knowledge in his mind than almost anyone I ever knew, and on a wide range of subjects. He was very conscientious, very hardworking."

Republican State Sen. Don Young of Fort Yukon, Begich's opponent in the race for the U.S. House, said the news "is a shock, and it's also one I understand because of his dedication to the state. . . . I'm optimistic he'll be found and pray that he will. I hope and pray that he's found and can continue his effort for the state."

Former governor and interior secretary, Walter J. Hickel, who has known Begich since the congressman was an Anchorage schoolteacher, said: "I just hope they're found safe, and we have nothing to say beyond that. It would be a loss to the country and the state both. I don't have any reaction except shock. He did an excellent job as congressman; there's no doubt about it that he served Alaska well."

Mr. LONG. Mr. President, I thank the Senator from Alaska for the hopeful message he has brought us. We certainly pray that Representative Boggs and the others will be found alive and safe as the search continues.

WEDNESDAY, *June 20, 1973.*

Mr. LONG. Mr. President, in the first few months of a new Congress, it is common to regret the absence of friends and colleagues who, for one reason or another, have not returned to the Senate or to the other body. This time for me that feeling is especially pronounced, for in the closing days of the 92d Congress I lost a close friend, a colleague from Louisiana, who for 30 years had been one of the ablest men in our Nation's public life. I refer, of course, to HALE BOGGS, the House majority leader, whose tragic disappearance in Alaska last October brought an untimely end to a brilliant career.

Eight months have passed since HALE disappeared in Alaska, yet even today his loss is difficult to accept for it came abruptly when he was still approaching the pinnacle of his distinguished career. There is no doubt in my mind that HALE would have become the next Speaker and that he would have been one of the very best in our country's history.

He was a man of rare gifts. He had a keen mind that went quickly to the heart of an issue. He had courage, conviction, and a large view of life and politics. Most of all, he had the essential gift of a leader: the ability to reconcile divergent views and find the common ground of agreement. Where lesser men could see only hopeless disagreement and deadlock, HALE could see a way. The last time I saw him—late at night, Saturday, October 14—he was hard at work unjamming the legislative process and making certain the machinery of the 92d Congress operated smoothly until adjournment.

He spent most of his career reconciling and serving competing loyalties in his own life. He was a southerner who represented and served the people of his district with all his considerable ability. He was a Democrat who worked hard for his party and undertook its difficult assignments, including the chairmanship of the 1968 Democratic Platform Committee. And, he was a national leader who brought a national perspective to his profession.

HALE and I were contemporaries in the politics of our State. We were both elected during the 1940's, and we both came to Washington as very young men. In the early 1950's, I supported HALE for Governor of our Louisiana. I campaigned hard for him, because I believed then, as I believe now, that he was one of the ablest men our State has ever produced. In the Congress, our careers were remarkably parallel. HALE was a member of the Committee on Ways and Means and I, a member of the Finance Committee. HALE became House majority whip in 1962, and I became Senate majority whip in 1965. Throughout these years we worked as closely together as any two Members of the Congress. Together, we accomplished much for our State and Nation which would have been impossible without cooperation.

This is the first Congress in which I will not have the benefit of HALE's friendship and advice. My regret at HALE's absence is re-

lieved considerably by the knowledge that his lovely and talented wife, Lindy, will be carrying on his work in the House.

Earlier this spring memorial services were held for HALE in New Orleans. One passage of Scripture seemed particularly appropriate for the man whose memory we honored, and I have saved it for today. Isaiah, chapter 61, verses 3 and 4:

And they shall be called in it the mighty ones of justice, the planting of the Lord to glorify Him. And they shall build the places that have been waste from of old, and shall raise up ancient ruins, and shall repair the desolate cities, that were destroyed for generation and generation.

Mrs. Long joins me in conveying our deepest sympathies to Lindy, who has been so strong these past few months, and to her fine children and grandchildren.

Mr. STEVENS. Mr. President, I knew HALE BOGGS since the 1950's. I was a young lawyer in private practice here in Washington, D.C., then and had occasion to come in contact with him at that time. HALE was a good friend. I admired him greatly both professionally and personally. My family and I deeply feel his loss. This is a personal tragedy for us, particularly coming at a time when HALE was traveling around Alaska.

The loss of HALE BOGGS, even more tragically, is likely to have a significant effect on the entire country. His vast knowledge of the legislative process and his personal stature in the House of Representatives will be sorely missed. Ann and I would like to express our condolences to Lindy Boggs and the entire Boggs family. I am delighted that the voters from Louisiana's Second Congressional District have elected Lindy to the Congress to carry on the Boggs tradition there.

I am only sorry that this is the occasion which prompted her election. We will miss HALE as a good legislator and a good friend. We look forward to continuing to work with Mrs. Lindy Boggs in Congress.



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